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Harkins, Master Forger, At Large

MAKING his third escape, W. H. Harkins, the master forger who has operated extensively throughout the United States, is again at large.

Harkins, who claims he has a "photographic mind," has used numerous aliases, and, in a recent confession, said he would stake his life on being able to go into a town of between three and five thousand population and walk out with \$3,000 or \$4,000 after a stay of only four hours.

Harkins boasted at the time of his arrest in Texas that he had defrauded banks of more than \$300,000 since he started his operations several years ago. He claims that the more trouble he has in getting money from a bank, and where the element



Two Photographs of the Master Forger, who is again operating against banks

of danger is more pronounced, the better he likes the work.

After escaping from the insane asylum at Agnew, Cal., last year, Harkins was finally arrested at New Orleans, through the efforts of our agents cooperating with the local authorities. Later he escaped while enroute back to the Agnew asylum and almost immediately resumed his career of crime, but was arrested last January in Pecos, Tex. Removed to Fort Worth, because it was thought the jail was

more secure, Harkins was the leader in an escape of six prisoners, who choked, bound and gagged the night guard after he had sawed the bars of the jail.

This notorious and dangerous forger with the photographic mind will victimize any unsuspecting teller who neglects to verify the depositor's signature by direct communication. He will again be quickly apprehended with due diligence and proper observance of the age-old rule



An earlier view of William Hamilton Harkins

against cashing checks for strangers without proper identity. We therefore earnestly urge all members to carefully study the photographs of this criminal as he has already renewed operations, starting in Tulsa, Okla. Every member bank should also safeguard itself

against such preventable losses by studying the method employed and issuing instructions for prevention.

Articles concerning Harkins appear in the following Journal Supplements: May, 1919, page 186; March, 1920, page 161; November, 1923, page 25, and January, 1924, page 2. Harkins is described as 40 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, athletic build, fair complexion, brown hair, blue eyes, smooth shaven.

A Bookkeeper's Frauds on Inactive Accounts

IN the June issue of the Protective Supplement members were warned to use extreme care in the selection, appointment and supervision of bank employees. An instance was sighted wherein a new clerk disappeared with \$15,000. That operator, Bernard A. Maron, was arrested, but recently escaped and may renew his activities without delay.

Still another scheme by which an unscrupulous clerk defrauded a bank was recently uncovered. A young bookkeeper had access to all records of active and inactive accounts. Despite the fact that he was never in contact with currency, the operator created an opportunity to collect easy money by using a number of checks drawn on the bank employing him and depositing a total of more than \$130,000 in other local banks. In drawing the checks the bookkeeper made certain that the depositors' names used would cause the checks to be returned to him for verification, etc. The bookkeeper would accept and pay the fraudulent checks without entering them, and as soon as possible thereafter would withdraw the amount at his credit on the various names in the other local banks.

This scheme was not expected to continue any longer than the next visit of the bank examiner and might have resulted in a heavier loss were it not for the fact that the operator overslept himself one morning and was, therefore, unable to receive and destroy his fraudulent checks returning that morning. Aside from the amount of loss suffered, the significant feature of this case is found in the fact that the duties of the operator placed him among that group of employees which handles no cash. Under this apparently safe classification the bookkeeper was in a much stronger position than the tellers and quickly capitalized, but, in the long run, his speculations were uncovered.

any longer than the next visit of the bank

Purchases Garage With Worthless Check

A PENNSYLVANIA garage owner recently advertised the sale of his business in local newspapers, which brought forth a letter from one H. A. JOHNSTONE of San Jose, Cal., requesting further details. The operator was granted an interview and later, on receiving all particulars, offered to pay the asking price, but advised he would be unable to do so until he transferred his account which he carried

with the First National Bank, San Jose, Cal. Johnstone produced proper credentials as coming from San Jose.

A week later, a letter was received at the garage addressed to H. A. Johnstone from San Jose. At about the time this letter was delivered Johnstone put in his appearance and the envelope was handed to him which he opened in the presence of the owner. This envelope contained a cashier's

check for a very large amount, also a letter on the stationery of the First National Bank, San Jose, supposedly signed by the cashier, advising as to the balance still credited to his account.

Johnstone then offered this check to make a part payment on the garage and received the proprietor's check for the difference. The garage man, whose account was insufficient to cover this difference immediately

deposited the cashier's check to his credit and therefore, when Johnstone opened an account at this bank with their depositor's check he was given credit for the entire amount. Johnstone later purchased a cashier's check leaving only a comparatively small amount in his account. This he later redeemed for cash and disappeared.

An investigation later developed that the entire transaction was a fraud as the cashier's check and letter received were worthless. This scheme caused our member as well as their depositor, a severe loss which occurred only through neglect when paying on an uncollected item. Had the bank held the check for collection, the operator would never have been successful. Similar suggestions were made in recent issues of the Journal Supplement and members can plainly see the wisdom of adhering to instructions contained in these articles, which, by following closely, will prevent many a loss.

This swindler is described as about 32 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, ruddy complexion, straight dark hair, one gold tooth upper left side, narrow face, pointed features, thin lips, twitch in left eye, wore diamond rings on both hands, wore tie pins, oval also square, clustered with diamonds.

Members are requested to be on the alert for this operator and to immediately advise this association or the nearest office of our detective agents in the event anyone attempts to operate as described above.

Preys on Theatres



Neil McConologue

NEIL McCONOLOGUE, an ex-convict of the State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal., was arrested in San Antonio, Tex., on charges of issuing worthless checks. He was released on this charge and turned over to the United States Marshal to be returned to Washington, D. C., on a Federal charge. While en route to that point McConologue made his escape.

This criminal has since been discovered as again active. He defrauded a New York member bank with a raised check and is also using bogus checks and forged cashiers' checks of the Albany Park National Bank, Chicago, Ill. These checks he is endeavoring to dispose of among theater ticket offices. His method of operations follows: He will call the manager of a theater, representing himself to be a well known actor, advising he is sending a cashier's check by messenger to be cashed. A messenger is then employed to deliver a note with the check and is instructed to a designated meeting place. Should the boy secure the cash and return unaccompanied, McConologue will

Stolen Liberties

WE are requested by the Division of Secret Service, United States Treasury Department, to advise that they have under confidential investigation the theft of one hundred \$5,000 Second Liberty Loan 4 1/4 per cent bonds, numbered from 74880 to 74979. It is requested that the numbers of all \$5,000 Liberty bonds handled be scrutinized carefully, and in the event any of the above designated bonds are offered for sale that the person presenting same be detained and the nearest office of the Secret Service notified immediately. It is essential that this matter be treated confidentially, it being important that it receive no unauthorized publicity.

meet him, otherwise not. This scheme has not been a very prosperous one to the operator so far and may probably be his undoing. McConologue, whose photograph and handwriting are reproduced herewith, is described as being 28 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 131 pounds, black hair, blue eyes, blotch scar right side of head, nativity, New York. Has been a medical student.

R J Crowley
Grant Mitchell

Dealer in Antiques

A. N. BROWN, alias E. A. Brink, alias A. E. B. Harper. This individual, after advising a member bank in New Castle, Pa., he had an antique shop in Toledo, Ohio, and that it was his intention of opening one in that city, started an account with a check drawn on the Federal Trust Company, Kansas City, Mo. He then rented a room, used the bank's attorney to prepare a lease, secured a city license and had a sign put on the building. Before the operator was permitted to make a withdrawal inquiries were made in Toledo, and it was learned the operator was badly wanted for attempting a similar scheme in that city. Brown evidently became suspicious and fled, but not until he defrauded several merchants by use of checks against his account. This criminal is described as about 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, slender build, ruddy complexion, sandy hair, smooth shaven, occupation, furniture repair man. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

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Art Upholstering
E E Early

BAILEY CARTER, known to a teller of a member bank in San Francisco, Cal., through service in the United States Army, took advantage of his position and presented a check drawn on the State Bank of Esbon, Kan., which was cashed without question. This check was later returned as worthless. Carter is described as being 24 years of age, 5 feet 7 to 8 inches tall, weighs 135 to 140 pounds, slender build, black hair, pompadour style, blue eyes and has small scar below right eye.

Watch Certified Check for \$550

A very clever swindler and forger has been operating recently in the central states. He was last heard of in Kansas City, where on May 20 he entered a member bank and cashed a forged certified check in the sum of \$550, drawn on a member bank at Cicero, Ill. This check was payable to a customer of the bank in Kansas City, whose place of business was only a block from the bank. He usually calls during a busy period when there are several customers in line before the paying teller. The operator first secures

the letterhead of a customer of the bank and then prepares a letter to the paying teller, requesting him to cash a check for the bearer and advising the denominations desired, indicating it is for a payroll. This man's favorite amount seems to be \$550.

He is described as being 35 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 185 pounds, complexion light, has gray eyes, full face, usually wears dark clothes and dark gray hat. A specimen of this man's handwriting is shown below.

Five Hundred Fifty and no 550.00

Double Appreciation

H. L. SMITH stole jewelry and cash from his employer, a San Antonio, Tex., merchant, and was later arrested for this offense and given a suspended sentence. Later Smith returned to his former employer and requested that he be permitted to reimburse him for the loss sustained, claiming that he had secured a good position. The request was granted, whereupon the operator produced a pay check of the Missouri Pacific Railway Company, St. Louis, Mo., drawn on the First National Bank, St. Louis, Mo. This check was for a larger amount than the debt, and the merchant paid out the difference in cash. The pay check was returned later as bogus. Other merchants and hotels were defrauded in a similar manner. Members are warned to watch for the party, who is described as being 30 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, slender build, dark hair, graying, long scar under right eye and chews fingernails constantly.

WILLIAM ANDREWS, alias Carl Widman. The Union Bank and Trust Company, Montgomery, Ala., reports this individual as operating with drafts supposedly drawn by their cashier against the National Park Bank, New York City. The New York bank is not the correct correspondent, and all similar drafts are being returned as forgeries. Andrews recently operated in Fort Wayne, Ind. Member banks will bear these drafts in mind and refuse to accept any as described above.

HARRY BOUDREAU, claiming to be a student of the Louisiana Institute, called at a member bank in Lafayette, La., where he presented a check drawn on the Peoples National Bank, New Iberia, La. This check, he stated, was his allowance from his mother. Boudreau received the money and has not been seen since. The check was later returned as bogus. Boudreau is described as 22 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, fair complexion, round face, athletic type and neatly dressed.

M. BROWN is being sought by a Rogers, Ark., member bank on a charge of issuing a bogus check drawn on the Quincy State Bank, Quincy, Kan. Brown is selling equipment for oil burner stoves. He is believed to reside in Virgil, Kan. We are unable to publish a description of this operator.

RAYMOND E. CANFIELD, also known as Frank Stinson and Ralph Felsner, defrauded several banks in Flint and Grand Rapids, Mich., by the use of bogus drafts. These drafts were supposed to be issued by the Commerce State & Savings Bank, Denver, Colo., drawn on the Chase National Bank, New York City, signed G. Clay Gates, cashier. This is an obsolete form, and Mr. Gates is no longer connected with the bank. Members are warned not to accept them. Canfield is described as 35 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, medium build, fair complexion, light brown hair.

Raymond E. Canfield

C. CASE opened an account at a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., with a bogus check drawn on the Liberty Bank, San Francisco, Cal., signed A. M. Butler. This being an uncollected item, our member refused to extend credit to the operator. He never returned to withdraw funds. Case gave his address as 1531 South Kingsley Drive, and as reference the Old National Bank, Spokane, Wash. This party is described as 38 to 40 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, medium complexion, face badly pitted. A facsimile of his writing is shown below.

C. Case.

J. W. COX issued a bogus check drawn on W. B. Warsham & Company, Henrietta, Tex., to a member bank in Temple, Tex., causing our member a loss. Cox was formerly employed in an oil mill. Members are requested to watch for him.

JOHN CURTIS, alias Frank R. Burrows, alias John A. Chambers, caused a member bank in Boston, Mass., a loss by cashing a worthless check drawn on another local bank. We are unable to supply a description at present.

J. B. DAVIS. A party using this alias is operating in Santa Monica, Cal., and vicinity with bogus checks drawn on the Bank of Santa Monica. These checks are all made payable to cash and usually signed and indorsed J. B. Davis.

AGNES G. HOYT, accompanied by another woman, called at a member bank in Oakland, Cal., and presented a check for payment. The woman stated that she had just rented an apartment from her companion, who was a depositor of the bank. On checking the records it was learned they carried such an account as stated by this woman, therefore no further questions were asked. The check, an uncollected item, has since been returned as worthless. On questioning their depositor it was learned that the operator did call to look over an apartment, and when leaving asked to be directed to a bank where she might cash a check. The customer supplied the name of her bank. This operator is described as 40 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, medium build, brown hair. Her companion is about 62 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 130 pounds, slender build, gray hair.

A. R. KENT was employed as a teacher by a school in Hackley, N. Y., on the strength of forged letters of recommendation. He called at a member bank in Tarrytown, and after being identified opened an account with a worthless check. Later Kent withdrew a large amount and then obtained permission from his employers to visit New York City. He never returned to Hackley. Checks drawn on the Tarrytown bank are now being cashed by the operator in Seattle and Spokane, Wash. Members are cautioned to watch for this criminal, who is described as about 43 years of age, 5 feet 7

inches tall, hair graying, broad nose, prominent ears, wrinkles around mouth. We are reproducing a specimen of his handwriting below.

A. R. Kent

FERD G. KIRBY, representing himself as the Kansas Tax Adjuster for the Western Tax Adjustment Company, St. Louis, Mo., and producing cards of said company bearing address 718 Kansas Ave., Topeka, is operating in Topeka, Kan., and the vicinity with bogus checks of this company drawn on the Boatmen's Bank, St. Louis, signed Damon B. Cole, Jr. Kirby is described as being 30 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 175 pounds, dark complexion. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

Ferd Kirby

V. S. LYNCH, claiming to represent the Elliott Oil & Gas Company, Buchanan, W. Va., endeavored to cash a check of this company at a member bank in Gauley Bridge, W. Va. This check was later returned as worthless. Lynch left town and is now operating in the vicinity of Parkersburg, W. Va., with checks drawn on the Gauley Bridge bank. The operator is described as being 60 years of age, weighs 250 pounds, heavily built, fair complexion, almost bald, wears glasses. A reproduction of his handwriting appears below.

V. S. Lynch
Elliott Oil & Gas Co.

HORACE H. MOORE is reported by a member bank in Reading, Pa., as cashing bogus checks drawn on the Asbury Park and Ocean Grove Bank, Asbury Park, N. J. He is described as being 30 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, dark hair, dark eyes, wore cap and dark clothes.

P. J. MORGAN, alias D. O. Wilson, using checks of P. J. Morgan & Son, building contractors, Oakland, Cal., drawn on the Bank of California, San Francisco, Cal., is operating in Los Angeles and Long Beach, Cal. The operator is described as 45 to 50 years of age, gray hair, occupation, carpenter. A specimen of the handwriting on the checks cashed is shown below.

P. J. Morgan

D. O. Wilson

T. J. MORRIS mortgaged his mules to a member bank in Frances, Okla. When they found it necessary to claim their property, it was discovered Morris had disappeared with the collateral. The operator is believed to have fled to California. Members are requested to watch for this man.

EDWARD T. MOYLAN, alias Arthur E. Edmunds. Blank checks Nos. 476 to 499, inclusive, were stolen from the check book of Gurian & Sheard, Los Angeles, Cal., by a party using these aliases. Their name is printed on these checks. After forging the owner's signature thereon, Moylan cashed several of the checks among local merchants. This operator is described as being 31 to 32 years of age, 5 feet 6 to 7 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, smooth shaven. A specimen of the writing appearing on the checks is reproduced below.

ROBERT PRUYNE, after signing the names of his father and father-in-law to checks drawn on the Farmers National Bank, Hudson, N. Y., cashed them at a member bank in Pittsfield, Mass. Members are cautioned to be on the alert for his appearance.

M. J. PURCELL. A San Francisco, Cal., member bank carried an account for this party for a short time. He withdrew part of his account and the following day called at the bank, before entries had been made in the books, and requested his correct balance. The amount was given him, excluding his withdrawal. Purcell then purchased travelers' checks closing out the account, stating he intended to travel East. This act overdrew the account, and our member is now endeavoring to locate Purcell. Any information concerning his whereabouts will be appreciated. Purcell is described as 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair.

ROY QUALLS. A party using this name presented a worthless check drawn on the Williamsburg Bank, Williamsburg, Mo., to a member bank in Fulton, Mo., requesting that part of the money be placed to his credit and the balance paid in cash. After receiving the money Qualls disappeared. This criminal is described as being about 28 to 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, light brown hair, brown eyes, wore soft shirt and creased felt hat. A specimen of his handwriting is shown below.

HENRY REIMSCHINDER, a salesman for a sausage casing company in New York City for the past five years, was known to a butcher in Amsterdam, N. Y., through his business dealings. He had given numerous checks to the dealer, so when Reimschinder approached him and requested that a certified check drawn on the Liberty Trust Company, New York City, be cashed, it was done without hesitation. This check was made payable to R. Carl, who accompanied the operator. The Liberty Trust Company, New York City, does not exist, and all checks are returned as bogus. It was later learned that Reimschinder also raised and cashed checks collected for and payable to his employers.

EDWIN B. RHODES, a lumberman employed by a saw mill in Sisson, Cal., forged his employer's signature to several checks, which he succeeded in cashing at a member bank in Sisson. Rhodes has since disappeared. He is described as about 5 feet 8 to 9 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, reddish complexion, brown hair, pompadour style, reddish moustache and hairy chest.

JOHN Y. RICHARDS, employed as a billing machine operator in Connersville, Ind., opened accounts in the local bank, which he strengthened by depositing bogus checks drawn on the First National Bank, Cincinnati, Ohio, signed E. A. Bradley or H. W. Liggett. Richards was permitted to withdraw against the uncollected items before returns had been received. He then disappeared. Richards is described as being 28 years of age, medium build, fair complexion, dark hair and eyes, well dressed and good talker.

MARK ROSEN is reported as operating in Chicago, Ill., with forged checks, which he is cashing among hotels and merchants. Members in this locality are cautioned to be on the alert for this criminal, who may attempt to defraud a bank. There is no description of the operator available.

WILHELM S. SCHMIDT. A number of drafts for small amounts, issued to various parties by banks located in Cincinnati, Ohio, were cashed in Chicago, Ill. When returned to the issuing bank it was discovered that they had been altered by the purchaser. The name had been changed to Wilhelm S. Schmidt and the amount greatly increased. In several cases the alias J. Frank King was used.

R. J. SCOTT had printed a number of checks of the F. W. Scott Plantation Company, Pine Prairie, La., drawn on the Evangeline Bank & Trust Company, Pine Prairie, which he is cashing in the vicinity of Hopkinsville, Ky. These checks are bogus, and anyone cashing them will do so at a risk.

JOSEPH SEFMAN presented a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor to a member bank in San Francisco, Cal., and secured the cash. The operator, using the alias John Pirucchi, also opened an account at another local bank with a sim-

ilar check and a small amount of cash, which he was later permitted to withdraw. This operator is described as 25 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, medium build, sallow complexion and dark hair. A sample of his writing is shown below.

BEN SHREVES, alias R. L. Bailey, alias Glenn Shreves, alias R. H. Griswold. These names were used by a party who is now operating in Erie, Pa., and vicinity with checks drawn on the Second National Bank, Erie, Pa., signed with a rubber stamp, American Railway Express Company, initialed B. W. B. or Pr. J. W. This criminal is described as 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, dark hair, smooth shaven, wore dark brown soft hat and tan gabardine coat with belt, carried a brief case.

FRANK T. SMITH, alias Frank Thomas, received a check from a depositor of a bank in Ludell, Kan., which he altered by raising the amount and succeeded in securing the cash. Smith is described as 6 feet tall, weighs 180 pounds, dark complexion and black hair.

BENJAMIN A. SNYDER, representing himself to be connected with Bourret Kirkwood Company, San Francisco, Cal., laundry manufacturers, who were giving consideration to opening a branch office in Hartford, Conn., called at member bank and opened an account with a check of this company. This check bore certification stamp of the Crocker National Bank of San Francisco, payable at the First National Bank of Chicago, Ill. Snyder was not permitted to withdraw funds. The check was later returned unpaid. Bourret Kirkwood Company have no form checks such as used by the operator and do not carry an account in the Crocker National Bank. Similar checks should be refused by member banks. We are reproducing a specimen of the operator's signature.

C. WILSON, alias Tom Larson, alias Sam Kelly, alias A. Moore, alias T. Wright. These aliases were used by a party who recently succeeded in defrauding a Seattle, Wash., member bank by use of forged checks. The checks were cashed by local parties, who describe the operator as being about 28 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 170 pounds, medium build, light complexion, light brown hair, blue gray eyes.

Collins, Old Offender, Apprehended

JAMES CALHOUN COLLINS, whose previous operations as a check forger were temporarily ended in 1919 by our detective agents' San Francisco representatives, was again arrested by our agents in Buffalo, N. Y., in June. Collins served a term in the State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal., where, according to his confession, he learned the new twist in forgery, and shortly after his release continued his criminal career. His new method of operation was so thoroughly performed, that it is believed he spent most of his prison term perfecting the scheme.

Collins would communicate in writing with an official of a bank, his intended victim, requesting an appointment to discuss a subject on which he could not write. When the bank official replied to this communication, the operator thereby obtained the desired specimen of his signature, which, with an "O.K." forged on the back of a bogus check to give the impression of approval by the bank officer. On entering the bank, the operator selected the most promising looking teller and made inquiry of him as to where the bank officer (already written



James Calhoun Collins

to) may be seen, thereby establishing an acquaintance with the teller. His next move was to approach the bank officer under a suitable pretext and engage his attention without, of course, referring to his identity or the check. He then returned to the cage of the teller first approached and presented the bogus check. The teller recognized the ostensible signature of his superior and usually, without hesitation, paid out the money. This scheme was successfully perpetrated in Pittsburgh, Pa., Nashville, Tenn., Atlanta, Ga., and Cleveland, Ohio, but when Collins attempted Buffalo his troubles began. His

first step was to communicate with all banks in the city as described above. A warning had been published in the June issue of the Journal supplement, so when this letter was received by a member bank, the work was immediately recognized. Our detective agents' Buffalo representatives were immediately notified and an investigation followed. They located Collins in a local hotel and he was placed under arrest.

He was held on a Federal charge. Collins was sentenced to a term of four years in the Federal Prison, Atlanta, Ga. His case was disposed of with unusual rapidity, being arrested, indicted and sentenced in four days.

Collins made a complete confession to our agents, admitting his previous records. Some of the aliases used in his operations are Frank E. Bell, Henry B. Grove, J. B. Knight, J. J. Roth and H. Webber. We are reproducing this criminal's photograph herewith and would suggest that any warrants for his arrest be lodged with the Atlanta authorities.

"Cash and Bearer" Forger Caught by Alert Teller

THE identity of the long sought "Cash and Bearer" forger was revealed through the arrest of one DON DA COSTA. Da Costa was detained through the vigilance of paying teller, A. R. Baldocchi and J. H. Skinner, vice-president at the Montgomery Street branch of the Bank of Italy, at San Francisco. When Da Costa presented a forged check, he was suspected and held until he might be taken into custody. After the arrest our agents in San Francisco were called upon to aid in identifying him and his check, which was readily recognized as the work of the long-sought "Cash and Bearer" forger.

Da Costa claimed to have received this check and others, which he admitted cash-



Don Da Costa

ing, from Robert Mayer, the penman in the case. It was learned that Mayer, whose correct name is JACK W. LEDDELL, and Da Costa traveled north through Portland, Seattle and Olympia, Wash., where they cashed other forgeries.

Through the activities of our agents and the California Bankers Association, Leddell was located in Los Angeles and immediately placed under arrest. He was later positively identified by five member banks. Both operators confessed and are held at San Francisco awaiting trial. Confidence is expressed that both of the operators will get adequate sentences when the courts pass upon their cases.

Montana Burglars Captured

THE period between April and November, 1923, was one of great activity for "yeggs" working in the state of Montana. During that period, two bands of "yeggs" headed by Arthur Davis and J. J. Reed attacked eight member banks and in most instances were successful in securing considerable loot. The situation soon became alarming, and necessary steps had to be taken to prevent it, so arrangements were made with the Montana Bankers Association and this association to detail a special crew of investigators to handle the case.

Our detective agents' representatives from Chicago, Spokane and Minneapolis, headed by their Minneapolis criminal manager were assigned to the task of ending the activities of these burglars. A careful and diligent investigation was soon under way.

With the cooperation of the Governor of the state and peace officers, their investigation bore fruit, with the result that nineteen men and two women were apprehended and held for trial. In practically each instance complete evidence was secured before the arrest or from lengthy interviews after the arrest, which will bring about a conviction. J. J. Reed and his band are badly wanted in Canada, and it is believed they will be eventually returned to that place for trial.

Among those placed in custody are the following: Arthur Davis, J. J. Reed, Roy Haugher, George Dyer, Frank Martin, Billy Cofron, James Wilson, John H. Mason, Frank Warren, Adolph Melcher, F. A. Carnal, Tom McDibitt, P. P. Power, John Allen, Rhea Davis and "Jew" May. The wives of the

latter two were also arrested and held as "fences." "Daddy" Marshall and another individual known as Hank Lorenger were placed under arrest charged with disposing of the stolen loot. Marshall was really the adviser of this band of "yeggs" and financed them whenever in need and knows considerable about their activities.

Up to this writing the disposition of their case is unknown. Since the arrest of these outlaws the depredations in the state of Montana have been reduced considerably.

Greene Caught

AN article concerning the operations of W. A. Greene and R. M. Bond, who defrauded brokers by use of forged certified

checks, was published in the June Journal supplement, but in this issue we take pleasure in announcing their arrest. Following the recent operations of Greene and Bond, all brokers were notified regarding their modus operandi, so when Frank Langham, alias Joseph Scholtz, presented such a check and endeavored to purchase Liberty bonds, the broker's suspicions were aroused. The local authorities were called upon, and Langham's arrest followed. Langham endeavored to swallow the evidence, and it was necessary to use force to recover the forged instrument.

The criminal at first refused to admit anything, but after a thorough grilling he confessed, implicating two accomplices. They were also arrested and gave their names as Norman P. Stone, alias W. A. Greene, and Lee Elze, alias R. M. Bond.

Raising Drafts by Photography

ONE or more operators using the names of J. H. HEITMAN, Charles Hoffman and W. L. Brown have perfected a new scheme for draft raising by the means of photography.

A small draft is purchased and by use of photographic plates the operator makes a duplicate of the entire draft and raises the amount to a very large figure. He then proceeds to the bank on which the draft is drawn, opens an account and later cashes the original draft. This is done to establish his identity and to pave the way for the cashing of the forged draft, which is accomplished a few days later.

This crime was committed in St. Louis, Mo., where two member banks were defrauded. Due to the clever reproduction the forgery can hardly be detected with a magnifying glass.

This is a very dangerous criminal to be at large, and we warn member banks against careless methods when accepting drafts. To help members identify this operator's work we are reproducing herewith a specimen of his handwriting.

J H Heitman

Railroad Drafts Stolen

THE office of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Company, at Toronto, Ill., was entered by burglars during the night of March 14, 1924. The thief stole a number of the company's blank drafts, Nos. 187,644 to 187,699 inclusive. These drafts are drawn on the treasurer of the C. B. & Q. R. R. Co., payable through the Continental & Commercial National Bank or the Merchants Loan & Trust Company, Chicago, Ill.

The criminal, whose name was learned to be LE ROY WILSON, tendered several of these drafts to merchants in payment of small purchases, receiving the balance in cash. The operator is described as being 28 to 35 years of age and weighs 175 pounds.

A New Swindle

A CUSTOMER of a Chicago bank purchased certain articles and presented the salesman with his check for a large amount, payable to cash. The salesman left the premises and returned stating he was unable to obtain the money because he was not personally known to the bank and returned the check to the customer. Meanwhile, a forged copy of the check was made by the salesman and it was this forged check which was returned to the customer, who unsuspectingly presented it to his bank and received the currency. The genuine check was later cashed and paid through the clearings in the usual manner.

Bogus Pay Checks



Frederick Mainhold

USING a different alias and style check in each operation, a shrewd criminal succeeded in victimizing numerous St. Louis, Mo., merchants and banks. Using bogus pay checks of such firms as The Missouri Portland Cement Company, which are drawn on the Federal Land Bank, St. Louis; The American Brake Company, or The American Car & Foundry Company, drawn on the National Bank of Commerce, St. Louis, and by posing as an employee of said company, induced several merchants and banks to cash them.

This criminal in his operations has used such aliases as FREDERICK MAINHOLD, Alexander Faulhaber, Alexander Henkelman, M. M. Ambruster, Robert Meyers and Fred P. Allen. He is described as about 50 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, medium stout build, medium chestnut hair, yellow-blue eyes, face pitted from smallpox, brown mole in front of left ear; nativity, Roumanian, passes as German, Austrian or Hungarian.

L A Faverham
A Faulhaber

We are reproducing herewith a photograph of the criminal, as well as specimens of his handwriting.

ARRESTED

Forgers

- BALLARD, B. R.—Alias James H. Saunder, Jan. 3, 1924, at Chicago, by local authorities, held at county jail.
- BATTE, FRED—May 23, 1924, at Los Angeles, by local authorities on burglary charge, held at city prison.
- BEERS, EUNICE ELIZABETH—April 28, 1924, Portland, Ore., through efforts of our agents, held at county jail.
- BRONSON, CLIFTON—Jan. 21, 1924, at Los Angeles, by local authorities, held at city prison.
- BRONSON, MRS. CLIFTON—Jan. 21, 1924, Los Angeles, by local authorities, held at city prison.
- BROOKS, J. G.—Alias A. H. Galloway, Feb. 14, 1924, at Oakland, Cal., by local authorities and identified by detective agents, held at county jail.
- BUCKLES, KLINE T.—At El Paso, Tex., by local authorities, returned to Liberal, Mo., by detective agents, held at county jail.
- BURTON, RALPH — Alias Frank T. Bishop, May 28, 1924, at St. Louis, by local authorities and identified by detective agents, held at city prison.
- CERRONE, GEORGE.—May 11, 1924, at Denver, by local authorities.
- CLIFT, E. J.—May 23, 1924, at Los Angeles, by local authorities on burglary charge, held at city prison.
- COLLINS, THOBURN.—Jan. 24, 1924, Baltimore, by local authorities, held at county jail.
- COMSTOCK, C. B.—May 6, 1924, at Seattle, by local authorities, held at city prison.
- CUNNINGHAM, LYMAN—May 12, 1924, Philadelphia, on information supplied by our detective agents, returned to Trenton, N. J., for trial.
- DUNNING, MAX—Alias Jack Dunn, May 11, 1924, at Chicago, by local authorities and identified by our agents, held at city prison.
- EASTLICK, BARNEY—June 5, 1924, at Portland, Ore., by local authorities, identified by detective agents, held at county jail.
- EHRL, IRENE—May 5, 1924, at Chicago, by detective agents cooperating with local authorities, held at city prison.
- ELZWILER, ELMER—Alias J. E. Etzwiler, Feb. 18, 1924, at McMinnville, Ore., through efforts of our agents.
- FLETCHER, C. R.—At Covington, Ky., through efforts of our agents, held at county jail.
- FOLSOM, HAROLD J.—May 31, 1924, at New York City, by our detective agents cooperating with local authorities, held at city prison.
- FOSTER, DAVID—June 11, 1924, at Brooklyn, by local authorities, held at city prison.

GERBER, ALLEN—May 23, 1924, at Los Angeles, by local authorities, on a burglary charge, held at city prison.

GRAVES, LLOYD—May 30, 1924, at Colville, Wash., through the efforts of our agents, returned to Sandpoint, Idaho.

HANSEN, ANDREW—At Baltimore by local authorities, held at county jail.

HARRIS, ALAMEDA—At Harrisburg, Pa., through information supplied by our detective agents, returned to Milford, Ohio.

HILL, LOTTIE—At Pocatello, Idaho, by local authorities, held at county jail.

JAMES, CARL—Alias R. M. Preston, May 2, 1924, at Granite City, Ill., by local authorities, returned to St. Louis, Mo., for trial.

JONES, ELLIS—Feb. 1, 1924, at St. Louis, by local authorities, held at city prison.

KILLINGSWORTH, LESSEL C.—April 29, 1924, at Breckenridge, Tex., by our detective agents cooperating with local authorities, returned to Ardmore, Okla., county jail.

KLINHART, FRED—May 27, 1924, at St. Louis, by local authorities, held at city prison.

KOLTZLE, EDWARD W.—May 29, 1924, at Detroit, by local authorities, held at city prison.

LEBRITTON, M. JOE—Feb. 7, 1924, at Portland, Me., by local authorities, on warning sent by our detective agents, held at city prison.

LEM, E. R.—Alias F. W. Fenner, alias W. E. Claypool, May 23, 1924, at Tulsa, Okla., by local authorities, held at county jail.

MAY, ELMER R.—May 2, 1924, at Spokane, by local authorities and identified by our agents, held at county jail.

MORELAND, FRED. W.—May 24, 1924, at Springfield, Ill., by local authorities, returned to St. Louis, Mo., held at city hospital due to illness.

NOWAK, DOMINIC—March 5, 1924, Detroit, by local authorities.

PAINTER, JEANNIE—June 9, 1924, at Detroit, through efforts of our agents, held at city prison.

PHIPPS, MRS. F. L.—At St. Louis, by local authorities, held at city prison.

RAINES, ISAAC L.—May 22, 1924, at Minneapolis, by local authorities, returned Stockton, Cal.

SARSFIELD, P. G.—At Santa Ana, Cal., by local authorities, held at county jail.

RULE, RALPH B.—Alias Ralph B. Varney, at Louisville, by agents of Department of Justice, held at Federal prison.

SCHUSTER, H. G.—At Toledo, by local authorities, held at city prison.

STIGLER, HAVRE F.—Aug. 14, 1919, at Laredo, Tex., by local authorities, returned to State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

SMITH, WALTER—Alias James P. Walters, at Long Beach, Cal., by local authorities, held at county jail.

SNEIDMAN, EARL—Alias Fred R. Swartz, April 7, 1924, at Philadelphia, through the efforts of our agents, held at county jail.

TACITO, NICK—Denver, Colo., through information supplied by our detective agents.

WILCOX, FRANK—May 9, 1924, at Wheaton, Ill., on information supplied by our detective agents, returned to Ponca City, Okla., for trial.

WILLIAMS, GEO.—At St. Louis, through efforts of our agents, held at city prison.

WILLIAMS, GEO.—May 31, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by our detective agents co-operating with local authorities, returned to Tulsa, Okla., for trial.

WILSON, WM. J.—Alias Frank C. Fortner, Jan. 22, 1924, at St. Louis, by local authorities, held at city prison.

Burglars

CARROLL, PAT—March 15, 1924, at Denver, by local authorities, returned to Newton, Kan.

ELMKOFF, JOHN—May 23, 1924, at New York City, by local authorities, held at city prison.

FABER, JOSEPH—May 23, 1924, at New York City, by local authorities, held at city prison.

GOMOSKY, WILLIAM—April 22, 1924, at Guardville, Pa., by local authorities.

GUFFEY, GEORGE—At Newton, Kan., by local authorities.

HANEY, CHRISTINE—Jan. 10, 1924, at Pawhuska, Okla., by local authorities, held at Newton, Kan., county jail.

HANEY, WILLIAM—Killed by detective agents at Peoria, Ill., March 14, 1924.

HANSEN, JOSEPH—Jan. 12, 1924, at Norfolk, Va., by local authorities, held at county jail, Portsmouth, Va.

JENKINS, EDDIE—March 15, 1924, Denver, by local authorities, returned to Newton, Kan., county jail.

LARSEN, IRVIN—Jan. 12, 1924, at Norfolk, Va., by local authorities, held at county jail, Portsmouth, Va.

MARKEY, FRANK—May 23, 1924, New York City, by local authorities, held at city prison.

NIMERICK, CLYDE—March 5, 1924, at Denver, by local authorities, returned to Newton, Kan.

PARKER, WEYMAN—Dec. 12, 1923, at Waterloo, Ala., wounded by bank cashier.

PEILD, JOHN—Jan. 12, 1924, at Norfolk, Va., by local authorities, held at county jail, Portsmouth, Va.

POVILAITIS, JOHN—April 21, 1924, at Guardville, Pa., by local authorities.

RHODES, OSCAR H.—Jan. 10, 1924, Pawhuska, Okla., by local authorities.

WOODRUFF, ONA—Wife of Clyde Nimerick, March 15, 1924, at Denver, by local authorities, returned to Newton, Kan., county jail.

Hold-ups

BOOTH, ERNEST C.—June 1, 1924, at San Francisco, by local authorities, held at county jail.

CLARK, EDWIN—At San Francisco, by local authorities, held at county jail.

HAYDEN, W. E.—Jan. 8, 1923, at Long Beach, Cal., by bank cashier.

TOSSER, FRED—Jan. 8, 1924, at Taylorville, Ind., by local authorities.

Removed

Forgers, Etc.

Ackley, Louis A.—10 years, United States Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga.

Bowers, John—1 year, parole.

Buell, N. E.—1 year, county jail, San Francisco, Cal.

Burdette, Fred H.—Acquitted.

Canone, Geo.—Released.

Eastlick, Barney—60 days, county jail, Portland, Ore.

Hawkins, W. H.—Escaped.

McConologue, Neil—Escaped.

Norman, C. W.—5 to 14 years, state prison, Jackson, Mich.

Nowak, Dominic—1 to 14 years, Ionia Reformatory, Ionia, Mich.

Tacito, Nick—Indeterminate term, state reformatory, Buena Vista, Colo.

Burglars and Hold-up Robbers

Carroll, Pat—Escaped.

Dyer, George—7½ to 15 years, state penitentiary, Deer Lodge, Mont.

Guffey, George—25 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

Haney, William—Died.

Martin, Frank—6½ to 15 years, state penitentiary, Deer Lodge, Mont.

Nimerick, Clyde—Escaped.

Rhodes, Oscar—10 to 50 years, Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kan.

Tosser Fred—10 to 21 years, Michigan City Penitentiary, Michigan City, Ind.

Statistics of the Protective Department

	Awaiting trial August 31, 1923	Arrested since August 31, 1923	Arrested in June, 1924	Total	Convicted	Discharged or acquitted	Fugitive, escape, insane or died	Awaiting trial
Forgers, etc....	110	219	35	254	155	50	19	140
Burglars.....	12	23	8	31	4	1	3	35
Holdup robbers..	34	50	6	56	49	2	3	36
Sneak thieves..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total.....	156	292	49	341	208	53	25	211

Protective Service, to be fully effective, depends upon prevention, rather than detection of crime. Increase your protection by giving effect to the warning articles in this bulletin

PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

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SECTION TWO

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A Daring 19 Year Old Forger

ARON MOSHEIK, a youth of only 19 years, is now one of the most successful and daring check forgers at large. Like other leaders in his criminal profession, Mosheik is an expert manipulator of the pen, with a "camera" eye, and needs only a glance at a signature to reproduce it.

Mosheik recently operated in a Michigan bank where an accomplice presented a check drawn against the account of a depositor. Although suspicious of the man, this bank made a gesture at precaution by giving him their Cashier's check in return. Mosheik, having established himself at another local bank as A. S. Morris, identified his confederate at his bank, where the Cashier's check was promptly cashed.

A description of his accomplices is regarded as value-

less as they are frequently changed and innumerable aliases are employed.

Mosheik, who rarely appears in the transactions, usually operates in the larger cities of the Central West and eastern States. He will be arrested quickly if all members insist on direct verification of their depositors' signatures on checks presented by strangers.

Mosheik is described as about 19 years of age, 5 feet 8 $\frac{3}{8}$ inches, 126 pounds, slender build, sallow complexion and dark brown hair. He is wanted in several cities.

Mosheik has approached bank employees drawing low salaries, seeking their aid in his fraudulent operations. In this way he tries to put

the checks through to be discovered later as forgeries by depositors.



A recent photo of Aaron Mosheik

More Forgeries on Veterans' Checks

BANKS, moved to do their utmost in accommodating veterans of the World War who were unfortunate enough to suffer disabilities, have cashed checks issued by the Veterans Bureau and other departments of the government without using as much caution as is customary in other banking matters. Repeated instances have come to light where paying tellers of banks, relying upon the responsibility of the federal or state departments issuing the checks or vouchers, have cashed them without properly assuring themselves of the identity of the party tendering the instruments as the payee.

Inasmuch as a bank cashing such a check or voucher upon a forged indorsement and receiving payment thereon is liable to the true owner for the money had and received, paying tellers should be warned not to cash checks and vouchers

without proper identification. It is preferable that a responsible customer of the bank should identify the payee and indorse for him so that recourse may be had upon the indorsement. Furthermore, the party indorsing as payee may be identified and prosecuted if he is a party to a forgery.

The American Bankers Association holds that losses of this character fall within the characterization of "preventible losses," and are due to the contributory negligence of the bank, and that losses due to frauds of this character cannot be investigated at the expense of the Association.

Checks and payment vouchers issued by the state against its accident fund and by the United States Government in furtherance of its activities in aiding the veterans, to a very considerable extent, go to men who inhabit the cheaper class of hotels and

lodging houses. After mail is delivered to these places it is a common practice to expose it upon open racks where it can be claimed by its owner. The envelope containing the check or voucher usually bears on its face the imprint of the state or federal department from which it is sent and proclaims to the evil intentioned that the envelope probably contains something of value worth stealing, and thefts are becoming more and more common.

The losses which banks are bringing upon themselves by cashing these checks are doubtless due to a desire to be accommodating, but banks should not be accommodating to unidentified holders of such paper. They are doing a wrong not only to themselves and their stockholders, but also to the true owner.

A Wave of Certified Check Frauds

IT is a curious fact that many banks which are ordinarily very cautious in accepting checks from strangers will cash checks—even for strangers—which seem to have been certified.

The old rule—never cash a check for a stranger—applies to certified checks as well as to many other kinds of checks.

Losses from forged or counterfeited

certified checks are among the most serious of forgery losses today.

Most certifications by the banks today are made with ordinary rubber stamps which can easily be duplicated and put to fraudulent use.

Precaution should be exercised by all banks in safeguarding themselves and the interests of their customers by discarding

the ordinary rubber stamp and employing modern methods for certification purposes by using a certification stamp which cuts the paper, thereby reducing the possibility of a counterfeit.

Banks can render their depositors a real service by cautioning them not to cash checks for strangers—even certified checks which may be no good.

Realtor Made Victim in Separation Plan

GEORGE M. SPARKS operated in Boise, Idaho, and Hutchinson, Kan., with a worthless draft of the First National Bank, Colton, Cal., drawn on the National Bank of Commerce, New York City.

He operates in the following manner: He will call upon a real estate agent and after identifying himself makes known his plans. The operator explains that he and his wife are separating and adjusting their affairs and asks the realtor to prepare certain deeds to property in Colton, Cal., and that a letter be directed to the First National Bank instructing them to deliver said deeds to the wife upon payment of a certain amount.

The operator makes it his business to secure the letter by promising to mail it himself.

In the course of a few days the agent receives a reply supposedly from the bank inclosing a draft for the amount requested. The Agent deposits the draft to his credit and in turn gives the operator his check after deducting the amount allowed for his services. The bank cashes the check without question and the criminal disappears. The draft is returned as worthless. Although this individual does not operate against a bank direct, we are warning members to watch all deposits of drafts such as described above.

Sparks is described as 65 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 165 pounds, slender build, gray hair, mouth draws to right corner when talking, bronchial cough. A specimen of the handwriting appearing on the checks is reproduced below.

George M. Sparks
C. W. Curtis
Edward Scott

Little-Jones Checks Bogus

EDGAR WILLIAMS, alias Herbert Mellon, alias Samuel Cohen, alias Walter Unger, relative to whom an article was published in the June, 1924, Journal Supplement, Page 4, has changed the firm name appearing on his checks but the form is still the same. Williams previously operated with checks of Harry Lewis & Co. but has since changed it to The Little-Jones Co., New York City.

These checks are drawn on the Chatham & Phenix National Bank, New York City, and bear a forged certification stamp. There is a voucher attached which must also be signed by the payee. The check is bogus throughout and should not be cashed. So far the operator's victims have all been merchants. He is now operating in the state of Ohio. We are reproducing below several specimens of his handwriting.

Herbert C. Mellon
Edgar Williams

Bogus Cashier's Checks

NUMEROUS cashier checks of the Farmers & Merchants National Bank, Dodge City, Kan., drawn on the Liberty National Bank, New York City, a non-existent bank, were cashed by a party using the alias H. D. Lewis. Members should not cash similar checks. A specimen of Lewis' signature is reproduced below.

H. D. Lewis
H. D. Lewis

HENRY G. ALLEN, printer by trade, employed by a depositor of a Toledo, Ohio, member bank, stole several of his employer's checks, also a check protectograph. He is now having them cashed among merchants in Toledo. Allen is described as 35 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, dark complexion.

Planning to Open Automobile Agency

A PARTY representing himself to be **ATHOS. J. PERRY**, automobile salesman, usually calls at a bank and inquires for an official who happens to be out, stating that he is expecting to interest the officer in a new car.

In the course of the conversation he makes it known that he intends opening an automobile agency in the city. He then opens a small checking account. After keep-

ing the account active for a short time he returns to cash a check drawn on a distant bank and if successful leaves town.

Perry, who has also used the aliases of Carl Miller, G. D. Carlson, and J. B. Litsey, operated in Amarillo, Canyon and Marlin, Tex. The operator is described as being 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, light sandy complexion, medium build.

Kingsbury Active



Lloyd H. Kingsbury

LLOYD HERBERT KINGSBURY, an old offender, is again reported as up to his old tricks. A member bank in Alhambra, Cal., permitted Kingsbury to deposit a check in a very large amount against which he cashed a number of smaller checks. Kingsbury was arrested several times for similar offenses and has served three prison sentences. His photograph is reproduced above. Kingsbury is described as being 38 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 240 pounds, stout build, medium ruddy complexion, brown hair, slightly bald, azure blue eyes, has large prominent front teeth which protrude slightly.

HELEN R. LAWSON. A woman using this alias is operating in Los Angeles, Cal., with stolen checks of the Tryday Plumbing Company. She is described as 20 to 22 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, dark hair, bobbed.

A "Wealthy" Indian

J. S. BAKER, posing as a wealthy Indian from Oklahoma, recently called at several banks in Kansas City, Mo., where he opened accounts depositing checks drawn on Parsons and Stringtown, Kan., and Eufala, Okla., banks. Baker has duplicate deposit slips on these banks which he produces to show his credit stating that he was desirous of transferring his account due to conditions in Oklahoma which were uncertain, there being many bank failures.

Baker will then attempt to make withdrawals against his account. These checks are worthless, for Baker carries no such accounts. He is described as being 5 feet 6 inches tall, dark skinned, speaks broken English. A specimen of his writing appears below.

J. S. Baker

H. E. BISHOP, alias E. J. Carpenter, alias S. J. Madden, formerly an attendant at a sanitarium in Elliott City, Md., presented a bogus check to a member bank in that city and secured the cash. The teller believed he was still employed in the sanitarium. Bishop also operated in Nashville, Tenn. A warrant has been issued for his arrest in Elliott City. Bishop is described as 64 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, slender build, bald, brown eyes, sharp features, smooth shaven.

Stolen Liberties



John Corbally

JOHN CORBALLY, also known as R. G. Francis, John Collins and John Brady, is wanted in Philadelphia, Pa., by the postal authorities for disposing of stolen Liberty Bond coupons. Corbally, whose photograph is reproduced above, is described as 33 years of age, 5 feet 6½ inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, medium complexion, dark chestnut hair, dark blue eyes, has cast in right eye, a slight scar outer corner right eyebrow. Members will kindly notify the postal authorities, the nearest office of our detective agents, or this association should this party appear.

WARNING

DOROTHY BLOOM defrauded a member bank in San Francisco, Cal., by use of a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor. This woman when presenting the check claimed to be a stenographer in the employ of the depositor, receiving the check for her salary. The operator is described as 30 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair, bobbed, Jewish, wore dark suit. A specimen of her handwriting is shown below.

Dorothy Bloom
420 15th Ave

NAT BOND and **J. F. ROCKE** are operating in Utah with bogus checks drawn on the Liberty National Bank, Oklahoma City, Okla., signed John R. Hare, Pres. They recently operated in Salt Lake City, and Provo, Utah. We are unable to publish a description of these men at present.

THOMAS BLAND, alias J. A. Thomas, alias A. J. Thomas. The Commercial Savings Bank & Trust Company, Toledo, Ohio, reports receiving a number of checks drawn on them against the account of the Toledo Safe Company, signed H. H. Hussey, Manager, and payable to a party using these aliases. These checks are bogus throughout.

CORNELIUS BAKER. A member bank in Philadelphia, Pa., took an income tax service from this individual whom they considered reliable. When he presented a check drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank, Philadelphia, it was cashed without hesitation. This check was later returned as bogus. Baker will no doubt continue this practice and members are therefore warned to be on the alert for him.

ED. BOYLES called at a drug store in Oakland, Cal., where he presented a check drawn on a member bank in Oakland. The clerk, believing he knew Boyles, cashed the check which was in turn paid by our member. It was later returned by their depositor as a forgery. A specimen of Boyles writing is reproduced below.

Ed. Boyles
1565 32nd Ave

S. J. BRADLEY, who defrauded a member bank in Atlanta, Ga., by the use of a forged check, was traced by our detective agents' Atlanta representatives to New Orleans, La. At that point it was learned that Bradley had deserted his wife and also defrauded several hotels. He is described as about 30 years of age, 5 feet tall, weighs 125 pounds, gray eyes, smooth shaven.

JAMES L. BROWN, described as being 25 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weight 140 pounds, made a purchase at an army goods store in Atlanta, Ga., and tendered a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor of a local member bank. Brown wore a soldier's uniform at the time he cashed the check.

KEITH CARRINGTON, secretary and treasurer of the Magistrates and Constables Association of California, carried an account at a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal. This account caused them no trouble, so when he presented one of his firm's checks drawn on the California National Bank, Sacramento, Cal., signed by himself, they did not question it but paid it with the result that it was later returned as worthless. Carrington is being sought by peace officers of Los Angeles on a defalcation charge. A reproduction of Carrington's writing appears below.

Keith Carrington

MAE CARTER. This woman is issuing checks drawn on the Brookville Title & Trust Company, Brookville, Pa., signed by G. L. Marlin. She recently defrauded a member bank in Yorkville, Ohio. Members should not cash similar checks.

HARRY M. CLARK, after opening an account at a member bank in Wilmington, Del., deposited a check drawn on a Philadelphia, Pa., bank signed G. W. Evanson. Clark returned later with a similar check on which he requested cash. After checking his account and finding it sufficient to cover the check, it was paid. Both checks were later returned as worthless. Clark is described as being 21 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, blond hair. A warrant for his arrest is being held in Wilmington.

P. C. CLARK, posing as secretary of the South Bend Woolen Mills is traveling about the state of Indiana issuing forged checks of this company. They are signed B. J. Bates, President. Clark is described as being 70 to 75 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 200 pounds, well built, florid complexion, gray hair, gray stubby mustache.

L. C. COX called at a member bank in Ashland, Va., representing himself to be a cow buyer and requested advice as to whether or not a check indorsed by a local party would be cashed. On being advised in the affirmative Cox called on a local farmer and purchased some cows to be shipped later. In payment Cox tendered a check for an amount larger than that of the purchase and advised the farmer that if he would indorse the check he would secure the cash at the bank and pay for the cows.

After indorsing the check the dealer became suspicious and immediately notified the bank but the operator, who evidently became suspicious, did not attempt to cash it. Cox is described as about 27 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 175 pounds, blue eyes.

EDWARD CRAMER was introduced and identified by the St. Louis Chapter of the American Red Cross at a member bank in St. Louis, Mo. On the strength of the introduction they cashed three of his checks drawn on a Maplewood, Mo., member bank which were later discovered to be forgeries. Cramer is described as being 25 to 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, stocky build, ruddy complexion, sandy hair, blue gray eyes.

JAS. R. CROSS, giving his address as 26 First Street, Lomita, Cal., recently defrauded a depositor of a member bank in Harbor City, Cal., by the use of a worthless check drawn on the State Bank of Lomita. This check was given in payment of gasoline purchased. A specimen of Cross' handwriting is reproduced below.

Gas R Cross

JAMES O. CURWOOD, posing as a government engineer, opened an account at a member bank in Bloomington, Ill., with a bogus check for a large amount against which he wanted to draw stating that he desired to purchase an automobile to be

used in his work for the government. A similar scheme was worked in Joliet, Ill. He also used the same alias. Members are requested to watch for this man.

ELMER DAILEY is being sought by our detective agents' Cincinnati representatives on a charge of defrauding a member bank in Athens, Ohio. Dailey was previously arrested on information supplied by our agents but escaped from jail with two other prisoners. He is described as about 23 years of age, 5 feet 8 to 10 inches tall, and medium build.

CHAS. DOWNEY, alias Earl Downey, alias L. M. Warden, is being sought by a member bank in Charleston, W. Va., on charges of issuing a forged check. Downey is well acquainted in West Virginia. He is described as being 25 to 29 years of age, 5 feet 6½ inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, fair complexion, light brown hair, blue gray eyes, is slightly stooped shouldered. Members will kindly advise should he put in his appearance.

HUGH DRUM recently caused a New York City member bank a loss through the cashing of a bogus check drawn on the Mercantile Trust Co., San Francisco, Cal. Drum forged the initials of an official of our member to the check, which acted as an identification and therefore experienced no trouble in securing the funds. Members are requested to be on the alert for this criminal.

GRANT EGAN, an elephant trainer, employed by a depositor of a member bank in Long Beach, Cal., forged his employer's signature to a check which he cashed. He disappeared after this act. Egan is described as 45 to 50 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, red hair, thin on top, smooth shaven, large scars from bite of a Pecara or wild hog received while employed at the Venice, Cal., Zoo. A specimen of Egan's writing is reproduced below.

Grant Egan
Grant Egan

JOHN EGENES, when cashing a forged check at a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., gave his address as 5535 Central Avenue, Los Angeles, which proved to be a hotel where he was unknown. The operator is described as being 24 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, slender build, light brown hair, smooth shaven, wore khaki trousers, no hat or coat. His writing is reproduced below.

John Egenes

JAMES P. FOSTER. Bogus checks drawn on the Gerard Trust Company,

"Old Friends"

B. W. ANGELL interviewed the president of a member bank in St. Louis, Mo., and introduced himself as an old friend from Buffalo, N. Y. He mentioned several friends known to the banker but he could not recall Angell. During their conversation the banker informed Angell that he intended being away the following day.

The next day Angell called on the vice-president, who occupies the room with the president and presented a check to be O.K'd. Having been a witness to their conversation and believing Angell a friend of the president, he indorsed the check for payment. Angell disappeared after cashing the check which was returned as worthless. He is described as being 50 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weight 160 pounds, red face, gray hair, bald in front, thick lips, smooth shaven, very noticeable black teeth.

Philadelphia, were cashed in Norristown, Pa., by a party using this alias. These checks are signed W. R. Galloway and C. W. Kirschbaum.

F. W. FROEHLING, employed by a Chicago, Ill., automobile dealer, sold a car to one of their customers and received a check payable to his employer. Froehling forged the indorsement thereon and presented it to a member bank and secured the cash.

AL GOLDMAN opened an account at a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., depositing a check drawn on a local bank. On the strength of this he succeeded in cashing another check for a small amount. Both checks were later discovered to be bogus. Goldman also operated in San Francisco, Cal., and Salt Lake City, Utah. He is described as being 28 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, dark complexion, dark brown hair, thin face, dark brown eyes.

A. GOMEZ secured a number of blank checks of W. B. Sumner Corporation, Los Angeles, Cal., drawn on the First National Bank, Los Angeles, which he signed and cashed. This firm is no longer in existence and they have no account at the above bank. The signatures of John L. Joyce and W. B. Sumner appear on the checks.

W. E. HAECKEL, alias J. J. Ryan, caused a member bank in San Francisco, Cal., a loss by cashing a forged check. Haeckel was previously arrested on similar charges and served a term in the State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal. The operator is described as being 22 years of age, 5 feet 9½ inches tall, weighs 144 pounds,

brown hair, brown eyes, smooth shaven, small scar in left temple. We are reproducing a specimen of the operator's writing below.

J. J. Ryan

J. F. HARRIS, after forging the signature of a depositor of a member bank to a check, succeeded in cashing it. The operator is described as being 23 to 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 135 to 140 pounds, slender build, olive complexion, dark hair, brown eyes, smooth shaven.

H. A. HIGHBEE forged the signature of a depositor of a member bank in Philadelphia, Pa., to a check and presented it for payment. The forgery being an excellent duplication of the original signature, our member did not hesitate to cash it. This party's checks should be investigated before payment is made on them.

J. B. HILL, alias J. B. Hayes, is drawing checks on the Farmers Bank of Wilmington, Del., in which bank he carries no account. The checks are being cashed in Washington, D. C., and vicinity.

JOHN W. HOPPER. A warrant for the arrest of this individual has been issued in Darby, Pa., on charges of forgery preferred by a member bank. Hopper cashed several checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor. Hopper is about 43 years of age.

EMANUEL HOROWITZ. This individual gained the confidence of a depositor of a member bank in Lancaster, Pa., and later presumed upon him for an introduction to our member. On the strength of the introduction Horowitz was permitted a small advance on a check which he presented. This check, which was later returned as bogus, is drawn by the Oklahoma Producing and Refining Corporation, Tulsa, Okla., on the Central National Bank, Tulsa, through the State National Bank, St. Louis, Mo.

He represented himself as being connected with this company and visiting this locality for the purpose of establishing stations on the highway. Horowitz is described as being 25 to 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 130 to 140 pounds, dark complexion, black hair, smooth shaven, slightly stoop shouldered, Jewish. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

Emanuel Horowitz
Maurice Schneider

DR. D. D. HOWE at one time carried an account at the Peoples Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago, Ill., which he closed but he is still issuing checks against it. Howe will go from place to place interviewing other physicians and relates the story that he just happens to be short of funds and requests that his checks be cashed.

Uses Small Boy

HARRY MEYER, after opening an account with a cash deposit at a member bank in Chicago, Ill., sent a young boy to the bank with a note inclosing a check requesting that he be given a small amount of cash and the balance in credit. This was repeated and again he received the cash. It later developed that both checks were forgeries. Meyer is described as 30 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, dark complexion, black hair, Jewish.

FLORENCE McMILLEN defrauded a member bank in Baldwin Park, Cal., by use of a worthless check drawn on the First National Bank, Wilmington, Cal., signed Fred E. McMillen. This woman has operated extensively in California with similar checks. In each instance the check is signed by the husband of the operator who is supposed to be working in the city where the bank is located. This woman uses a different alias in each operation. Members can detect her work through the handwriting which is the same on all checks. A specimen of this writing is reproduced below. The operator is described as being 45 to 50 years of age, 5 feet 8 to 9 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, dark hair, graying.

Florence McMillen
Forty 40⁰⁰
Florence McMillen

E. L. MORRIS secured a deposit slip of a depositor of a member bank in Seattle, Wash., and then duplicated the signature on a check which he succeeded in cashing. Morris is described as being 32 to 33 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, stocky build, ruddy complexion, dark hair, blue eyes, smooth shaven, thick lips.

MRS. A. NELSON opened an account at a member bank in Whittier, Cal., depositing bogus check drawn on the Fourth & First National Bank, Nashville, Tenn. The operator was informed she could not make a withdrawal but after receiving a check book she immediately issued checks to a number of local merchants. This woman also operated in Burbank, Fullerton and Los Angeles, Cal. She has used the names of Lorraine Martin, Mrs. John Ross, Mrs. John Roberts and Mrs. John Barker. A specimen of the operator's handwriting appears below.

Mrs. A. Nelson
74 17. Greenleaf Ave

C. A. NEWTON. A number of bogus checks were recently cashed by merchants in Sandusky, Ohio, and vicinity, by a party using this alias. These checks are drawn on the First National Bank, Oswego, N. Y., and signed by E. A. Potter, treasurer, Independent Nursery Co., Inc.

Discarded Slips

R. A. EASTERMAN, also known as *Sidney Root*, *Wallace Rugger*, *J. R. Hooper* and *Robert B. Murray*, is in *Spokane Wash.*, operating with forged checks. He is described as being 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, smooth shaven. The signature for his forgeries are secured in the same old method, viz:—collecting deposit slips discarded in the bank by customers. Many forgeries are committed due to this carelessness and to prevent similar losses we would suggest that members notify their guards to pick up these slips when cast away, and place them where they cannot be reached by an outsider.



Fred E. Peters

FRED E. PETERS, known under numerous aliases, some of which are *Richard Wainwright*, *Richard Barry*, *J. G. Hawks*, *J. G. Wade* and *Fred E. Pierce*, is operating throughout the country with bogus checks drawn on various banks. The indorsements appearing on his checks cannot be mistaken and if members will study the writing reproduced below they will be able to detect his checks. Peters, whose photograph is reproduced above, is described as being 35 years of age, 5 feet 6 to 7 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, light complexion, light chestnut hair, small blond mustache.

Richard Wainwright
Fred E. Peters

EARL OSBORN was introduced at a member bank in Buffalo, N. Y., by his former Sunday school teacher and in consideration of this introduction presented a series of checks drawn on the National Bank of Commerce, Montreal, Canada. These checks were all signed *Beauregard & Beauregard*, and were returned by the Montreal bank as worthless. Osborn, a war veteran, has been a patient at a tuberculosis camp. He is described as 30 years of age,

6 feet tall, light complexion, very thin face, neat dresser.

LEE D. POWELL, employed by a depositor of a member bank in Detroit, Mich., stole a blank check from his employer which he forged and cashed. He used his pay check as a sample for the forgery. Powell is described as being 28 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, light hair, blue gray eyes, long thin face, prominent nose, talks with a drawl. A specimen of Powell's signature is shown below.

Lee D. Powell

K. E. PUTNAM was properly introduced at a member bank in Astoria, Ore., where he opened an account with a check drawn on the Northwestern National Bank, Portland, Ore., signed *F. J. Leonard*. Putnam was later permitted to make withdrawals until the check was returned as bogus. Putnam, who was employed by a local contractor as a laborer, is described as being 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, stocky build, pale blue eyes, smooth shaven, is a Mason. A specimen of his writing appears below.

K. E. Putnam
F. J. Leonard

GEORGE SEAMAN is being sought by a member bank in Ontario, N. Y., on a forgery charge. He was employed as a farm hand and will probably follow his occupation in this vicinity. Seaman is described as 37 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, light complexion, dark brown hair, blue eyes, full face, wears nose glasses. We are reproducing below a specimen of Seaman's handwriting.

Geo. Seaman
Geo. Seaman

S. R. SHEPHERD presented for payment a draft drawn on *Fred G. Clark Co.*, Chicago, Ill., to a member bank in St. Louis, Mo. The banker having known Shepherd for several years paid the draft which was later returned marked "No Authority To Pay." A specimen of this party's writing is reproduced below.

S. R. Shepherd

Bogus Certified Checks

A PARTY using the alias of Charles Stoddard is reported as operating with bogus certified checks of Cummings & Morrow, stocks and bonds, 29 Broad Street, drawn on the Continental Trust Co., New York City. These checks are being disposed of chiefly through merchants. A specimen of Stoddard's writing is reproduced below.

Chas. Stoddard
Thomas L. Morrow
Charles Stoddard

CHARLES SYRACUSE, engaged in the fruit and brokerage business in Rutland, Vt., opened an account at the Clement National Bank, Rutland, Vt., about six months ago and it was carried for several weeks. The account was closed but not in Syracuse's mind for he is still issuing checks against it. The last was cashed in New Haven, Conn. Syracuse is described as 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches in height, weighs 145 to 150 pounds, light complexion. We are reproducing below a facsimile of his signature.

Charles Syracuse

PHILLIP V. VALE of Tariffville, Conn., caused a member bank in Toronto, Ont., Can., a loss when he cashed a check drawn on the Irving Bank Columbia Trust Company, New York City, which was returned as bogus. Vale claims to be in the tobacco business. Members are advised not to accept his checks.

KATE WILLIAMS. A woman using this alias presented a check drawn on the First National Bank, Newark, N. J., to a member bank in Portland, Me., for payment. She informed the teller that she had been a depositor in the Newark bank for ten years but this did not aid her any. She was advised that the check would be accepted for collection only whereupon she opened an account and received a check book. She immediately issued these checks to local merchants and secured cash and merchandise. The deposit check was later returned as bogus. The operator is described as being 50 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, medium stout build, dark complexion. A specimen of her handwriting appears below.

Kate Williams
Five Hundred

EDWARD R. WHITE, alias Charles Murphy. A bogus certified check drawn on the Gotham National Bank, New York City, was recently cashed by a depositor of member bank in that city for a party using this alias.

ARRESTED

Forgers

ADKINS, J. C.—At Dallas, Texas, by local authorities, held at city prison.

ALLEN, HENRY—June 21, 1924, at San Francisco, Cal., by local authorities, held at city prison.

APEL, HORACE M.—June 27, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., by local authorities, held at city prison.

BARRINGTON, WM. F.—June 29, 1924, at New York City, by local authorities, held at city prison.

CHILDERS, LOWEL—June 27, 1924, at Des Moines, Iowa, through the efforts of our detective agents.

CRAMER, EDWARD—April 24, 1924, at St. Louis, Mo., by local authorities.

DOWNEY, CHARLES—June 26, 1924, at Cincinnati, Ohio, on information supplied by our detective agents.

GOLDE, RAY H.—June 20, 1924, at Buffalo, N. Y., through the efforts of our detective agents, confessed, held at county jail.

HARDY, MRS. J. D.—June 20, 1924, at Cuero, Texas, by local authorities, held at county jail.

HARDY, J. D.—alias W. N. Heath, Jr., June 10, 1924, at Cuero, Texas, by local authorities, confessed, held at county jail.

HARRIS, J.—June 28, 1924, at St. Johnsbury, Vt., by local authorities.

HASTINGS, GEO.—alias George McDermot, June 27, 1924, at Boston, Mass., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents.

HUNTER, FAY—May 24, 1924, at Dallas, Texas, by local authorities, held at county jail.

LA PLANT, ALBERT—alias P. E. Miller, alias John Ditto, June 23, 1924, at Spokane, Wash., through information supplied by our detective agents.

LE DONNE, MRS.—May 29, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., through the efforts of our detective agents, returned to Pittsburgh, Pa., for trial.

LEE, WILLIE (colored)—alias John Davis, June 6, 1924, at Los Angeles, Cal., by our detective agents cooperating with the local police, held at city prison.

LOCKE, HERBERT A.—February 23, 1924, at Honolulu, T. H., by local authorities.

McMAINES, ROLAND—June 27, 1924, at Des Moines, Iowa, through the efforts of our detective agents.

MARCUS, BERNHARD, JR.—alias Bernard Marcus, Jr., May 24, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., by local authorities, held at county prison.

MEEKER, BRUCE H. (T. N.)—alias Robert H. Maxwell, February 27, 1924, at Portland, Ore., through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city jail.

MILLS, W. H.—alias Earl Mills, June 24, 1924, at Atlanta, Ga., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents.

MUNDUE, MRS. CECILIA W.—May 16, 1924, at Detroit, Mich., through efforts of our detective agents, held at Women's Detention House.

MURPHY, REV. E. P.—January 22, 1924, at San Francisco, Cal., by local authorities, held at city prison.

PALMER, WALTER (Colored)—July 3, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., by local authorities.

PORTER, BERT—alias Lloyd Graves, June 5, 1924, at Colville, Wash., by our detective agents, cooperating with the local authorities, returned to Sandpoint, Idaho.

REGAN, JAMES H.—July 4, 1924, at Washington, D. C., by local authorities.

REID, WM. J.—alias Howard E. Farnsworth, July 1, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities.

RICCI, ANTONIO—May 19, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., through information supplied by our detective agents, returned to Pittsburgh, Pa., for trial.

RICHARDSON, LAWRENCE—July 4, 1924, at St. Louis, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

ROBERTSON, CHARLES—alias Charles Brownlee, alias George Finney, June 20, 1924, at San Antonio, Texas, by local authorities, held at city prison.

ROBINSON, GEORGE—alias W. E. Harris, June 30, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., through efforts of our detective agents, confessed, held at county jail.

ROOTS, JAMES S.—alias G. S. Gilbert, July 5, 1924, at Salt Lake City, Utah, by local authorities, held at the county jail.

ROTCHILD, ALBERT—alias Louis V. Martin, June 10, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, held at Police Station.

RYAN, CARL—March 27, 1924, at Austin, Texas, by local authorities, held at Georgetown jail, returned to Waco, Texas, to await trial.

SCHWARTZ, NATHAN—alias A. Stein, June 23, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by our detective agents cooperating with the local authorities.

SEFMAN, JOSEPH—alias Andrew Bales-trati, July 1, 1924, at San Francisco, Cal., by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents, held at city prison.

SMITH, WM. K.—June 20, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., through efforts of our detective agents, held at Police Headquarters.

SOLOMON, JOHN E.—June 29, 1924, at Los Angeles, Cal., through information supplied by our detective agents, held at county jail.

WADELL, H. H.—February, 1924, at Atlanta, Ga., by our detective agents, cooperating with the local authorities.

WELLER, EDGAR—June 28, 1924, at Fort Francis, Ontario, through efforts of our detective agents, custody of sheriff on way to Ohio for trial.

WIMBERLY, FRANK A.—June 17, 1924, at San Antonio, Texas, by local authorities.

ZAZINSKI, TONY—May 17, 1924, at Detroit, Mich., by local authorities.

BURGLARS

BOLDSBY, THOMAS—May 9, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by our detective agents, cooperating with the local authorities, held at city prison.

BRYANE, GRACE—Manhattan, Kan., by our detective agents, cooperating with the local authorities, held at county jail.

DEIGHTON—June 25, 1924, at Culver City, Cal., through efforts of our detective agents.

DEVORAK, TED—February 27, 1924, at Minneapolis, Minn., through information supplied by our detective agents (surrendered), held at city prison for North Dakota authorities.

ELSTON, JAMES—January 25, 1924, at Newton, Kan., by local authorities, held at county jail.

GIRKEY—(Woman) June 19, 1924, at Eldorado, Kan., by local authorities, held at county jail.

KNOWLES, CLYDE—July 8, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at county jail.

KRAFT, JOHN—May 8, 1924, at Rosedale, Kan., by local authorities, held city jail, Kansas City, Kan.

KRIMBRING, ELMER—March 10, 1924, at Manhattan, Kan., by local authorities, held at city prison.

MCCARTY, JAMES—May 8, 1924, at Rosedale, Kan., by local authorities, held at city jail, Kansas City, Kan.

MILES, JOSEPH—May 8, 1924, at Rosedale, Kan., by local authorities, held at city jail, Kansas City, Kan.

MORGAN, B.—March 27, 1924, at Austin, Texas, by local authorities, held at Georgetown jail, returned to Waco, Texas, to await trial.

MORGAN, DAN—About May 29, 1924, at Indianapolis, Ind., by local authorities, to be turned over to sheriff for prosecution in Kansas.

NEWTON, DOE—June 25, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, held at county jail.

NEWTON, JOHN—June 25, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, held at county jail.

NEWTON, WILLIS—June 25, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, held at county jail.

NIMERICK, CLYDE—About May 29, 1924, at Indianapolis, Ind., by local authorities, to be turned over to sheriff for prosecution in Kansas.

PERRYMAN, MARION—June 18, 1924, at Texarkana, Texas, by local authorities.

TUFT, LEWIS—December 11, 1924, at Minneapolis, Minn., through the efforts of our detective agents, held county jail.

WALKER, S. E. (Seth)—June 18, 1924, at Texarkana, Texas, by local authorities.

WARD, FRANK—Alias Frank Greer, December 13, 1923, at Fond du Lac, Wis., by local authorities.

WEST, J. H.—January 25, 1924, at Newton, Kan., by local authorities, held at county jail.

WHITT, JEFF—June 18, 1924, at Texarkana, Texas, by local authorities.

HOLD-UPS

BOSCOE, TOM—Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities.

BULLOCK, DE GROVE—February 18, 1924, at Los Angeles, Calif., by local authorities, held at city prison.

BURNS, JAMES T.—(Scotty) May 7, 1924, at Des Moines, Ia., by our detective agents and local authorities, confessed, held at city prison.

CAMPEAU, HARVEY—July 5, 1924, at Clifton Forge, Va., by local authorities.

CAREY, FRANK—Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities.

CARROLL, PAT., about May 29, 1924, at Indianapolis, Ind., by local authorities, to be turned over to sheriff for prosecution in Kansas City.

GILROY, CHARLES—June 18, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

GRANDS, FRANK—July 1, 1924, at Marquette, Mich., by local authorities.

HARDY, VANCE—July 1, 1924, at Marquette, Mich., by local authorities.

HICKEY, PETER—July 1, 1924, at Marquette, Mich., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents.

HOPKINS, MRS. GEO.—July 4, 1924, at Drumright, Okla., by local authorities, held at city jail.

KERR, CHESTER—Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities.

KIEL, FRED—June 18, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

KIRBY, J. H.—July 4, 1924, at Drumright, Okla., by local authorities, held at city jail.

LAMONT, WALTER—July 1, 1924, at Marquette, Mich., by local authorities.

MILHAN, MRS. NELLIE—June 18, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

MILHAN, EDWARD J.—June 18, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

MILLER, J. M.—alias Roy E. Wrone, June 5, 1924, at Tulsa, Okla., by local authorities cooperating with our detective agents, held at city jail.

PERMANTYE, FRED—July 1, 1924, at Marquette, Mich., by local authorities.

SHEARER, EUGENE—Los Angeles, Cal., by our detective agents cooperating with the local authorities, confessed, held at city prison.

SHEMWELL, REX—May 9, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city jail.

REMOVED

Forgers

Astwood, C. A.—Case dismissed.
Banks, Joseph—1½ years, Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kans.

Batte, Fred—State Reformatory, Ione, Calif., for remainder minority.

Beers, Eunice Elizabeth—Paroled one year.

Bugquist, Albert—State Penitentiary, Walla Walla, Wash.

Byrne, Geo. C.—Indeterminate term, State Reformatory, Monroe, Wash.

Clift, E. J.—State Reformatory, Ione, Calif., for remainder minority.

Collins, James C.—4 years, Federal Prison, Atlanta, Ga.

Dennison, Tonnes—Acquitted.

Folson, Harold J.—Suspended sentence.

Gerber, Alton—1 to 15 years, California State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal.

Golde, Ray H.—1 year, Erie County Penitentiary, Buffalo, N. Y.

Latting, Jerome—2 years, State Penitentiary, Stillwater, Minn.

Le Bretton, M. Joe—5 years, State Prison, Thomaston, Me.

Sarsfield, P. G.—1 to 14 years, California State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Calif.

Wilson, Wm. J.—Indeterminate term, State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

Burglars and Holdup Robbers

Fisher, Ed.—Indeterminate term, State Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill.

Gomosky, Wm. B.—Released.

Wanen, Frank—6 to 12 years, State Penitentiary, Deer Lodge, Mont.

Woodward, James W.—2 years, State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

Statistics of the Protective Department

	Awaiting trial August 31, 1923	Arrested since August 31, 1923	Arrested in August, 1924	Total	Convicted	Discharged or acquitted	Fugitive, escape, insane or died	Awaiting trial
Forgers, etc . . .	110	254	42	296	169	52	19	166
Burglars	12	31	23	54	6	2	3	55
Holdup robbers.	34	56	21	77	51	2	3	55
Sneak thieves
Total	156	341	86	427	226	56	25	276

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CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
COLORADO, DENVER.—421 Cooper Building.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON.—500 Southern Building.
FLORIDA, MIAMI.—220-221 Calumet Building.
GEORGIA, ATLANTA.—921-922 Healey Building.
ILLINOIS, CHICAGO.—1050 Otis Building.
IOWA, DES MOINES.—609 Observatory Building.
LOUISIANA, NEW ORLEANS.—930-932 New Hibernia Bank Building.
MARYLAND, BALTIMORE.—Fidelity Building.
MASSACHUSETTS, BOSTON.—200 Devonshire Street.
MICHIGAN, DETROIT.—Dime Savings Bank Building.
MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS.—McKnight Building.
MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY.—Ridge Arcade Building.
MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS.—Railway Exchange Building.
NEW YORK, BUFFALO.—D. S. Morgan Building.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—165 Broadway.
OHIO, CINCINNATI.—1012 Keiths Theatre Building.

OHIO, CLEVELAND.—Swetland Building.
OKLAHOMA, OKLAHOMA CITY.—908 Colcord Building.
OREGON, PORTLAND.—Yeon Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.—Widener Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PITTSBURGH.—1108 Diamond Bank Building.
TENNESSEE, MEMPHIS.—Bank of Commerce and Trust Building.
TEXAS, DALLAS.—207 Mercantile Bank Building.
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Harkins Renews His Operations

REPEATED warnings of the forgery operations of William H. Harkins and the amazing success of this daring criminal have been broadcast to all members. The last warning, relating his third escape

from jail, appeared in the July issue of this Supplement. Despite these warnings, which included enough details to stop him, Harkins has continued his crooked but extremely profitable journey at the expense of banks in Oklahoma, Washington and Montana.

Among his most recent victims are tellers who readily identified Harkins when shown his picture in the July issue of this Supplement. Some claimed the pictures were excellent and then recalled our earlier warnings and photographs of this notorious penman who has already proven a menace to the entire banking fraternity.

Harkins is too slick and too slippery to be quickly arrested, unless all banks insist upon direct verification of their depositors' signatures when appearing upon checks presented by strangers. All members are again urged to instruct their tellers to study the criminal's photographs which appeared in many issues of the Protective Supplement and special warning circulars, and to read carefully the warning article appearing on page 2 of the July

issue. Harkins' system has some variations, but the key to his scheme is obtaining a sheaf of checks from some prosperous merchant's checkbook during the time that he is in the merchant's store, after having established the relation

of a desirable customer. Under the pretext of wanting to dash off a letter to a relative, Harkins gains the privilege of sitting at the merchant's desk. While unobserved, he locates the checkbook, learns the amount of depositor's balance, tears out a few checks and obtains a specimen of the merchant's signature from a cancelled voucher or other piece of writing to guide him in his forgeries. To make his way easy at the bank, Harkins inscribes an identification indorsement on the back of the check, after the standard "O. K." Seeing that the merchant has taken this means of identify-

ing the payee, banks have honored such checks without much hesitation.

The way to stop Harkins is to communicate in all cases with depositors who presumably have made an identification indorsement. Likenesses of Harkins have been distributed so widely that an alert teller should be able to recognize the forger readily.



A view of Harkins taken when he was captured about a year ago

The "Prospective Home Buyer" Puts Over a Deal

APPEARING in the guise of a home buyer, O. V. Snell, with a number of aliases such as M. P. Layton and A. H. Gregg, has resumed his activities in defrauding banks in the western states. Using the same method previously employed, Snell has succeeded in putting over several forgeries since his method was described in the March, 1924, Journal Supplement on Page 2 and banks were warned to watch for the "prospective home buyer."

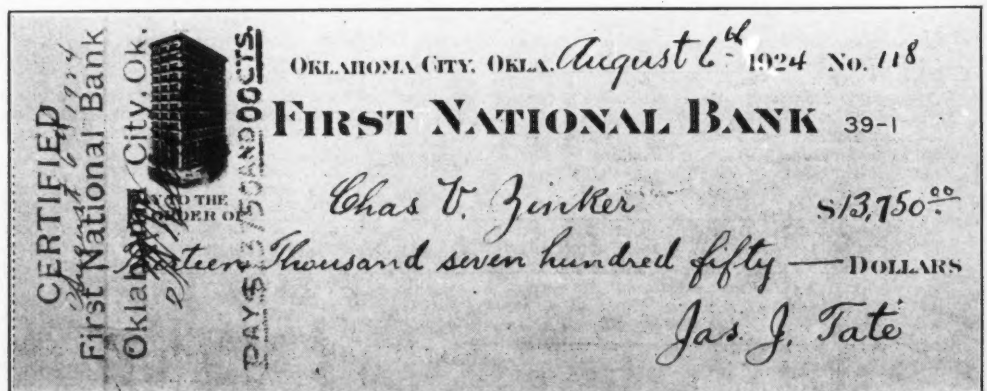
This operator approaches the manager of the mortgage and loan department of a bank, inquiring for a home for sale in the city or vicinity and stating he intends purchasing a house as he is selling his property in Oklahoma. Later he returns, produces a bogus certified check, advises that it was received as the proceeds of the sale of his property and states he wishes to open an account. After being introduced by the obliging manager of the mortgage and loan department to an officer of the bank, the criminal opens an account. He then re-

quests that he be permitted to withdraw part of the funds with which he intends buying furniture for his new home. Believing the transaction legitimate, the officer approves the check for cashing. The operator withdraws the funds and disappears.

Members are again urged not to extend credit under any circumstances to strangers presenting checks drawn on other banks.

Payment should be withheld until the checks have cleared. Heeding this age-old warning will prevent many losses. Only a criminal or undesirable customer becomes angry and indignant when his request to draw against an uncollected item is refused.

Snell, alias Gregg, etc., is described as follows: 45 years of age, 5 feet 8 to 9 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, dark com-



Chas. T. Zinker

One of Snell's forgeries in Oklahoma

plexion, brown hair graying at temples, full face, smooth shaven, good teeth; may wear horn-rimmed glasses.

The Jap Forger Reappears in Texas

AN article recounting how a Japanese using the name of C. Yamato induced a New Jersey bank to part with \$11,000 in return for a bogus cashier's check, was published in the September, 1923, Journal Supplement on page 3.

C. Yamato apparently made a trip to the Orient and parted with so much of the \$11,000 he obtained in New Jersey that his funds needed replenishment. A Japanese giving his name as M. Hara appeared in a Texas, member bank recently and presented a letter of introduction ostensibly issued by a bank in Manila, P. I. He opened an account with a \$300 cash deposit, stating he expected to receive a large sum from the First National Bank, Bellingham, Wash., which he intended to invest in the cotton business. A few days later the Texas bank received

a letter purporting to be signed by the cashier of the Bellingham bank and inclosing a cashier's check in the amount of \$12,750. Hara attempted to secure the funds on this check, but our member *refused to permit a withdrawal before returns had been received.* The operator became indignant, demanded the return of the check, and withdrew his deposit, stating his bank in Fort Worth would be more obliging.

Using the same name, the operator then attempted to defraud another bank in Dallas and two banks in Fort Worth, but each time the result was the same—the banks would not extend credit until the cashier's check had been paid. He then changed his name to A. Kimi and decided to try his plan of operation at a Houston bank. He suc-

ceeded in securing a certificate of deposit for \$12,000 before returns had been received on the check deposited, and immediately used the proceeds for the purchase of Liberty Bonds. The cashier's check deposited, was returned marked, "Forgery."

Hara, alias Kimi, etc., now has \$12,000 to finance another trip to the Orient or wherever his fancies take him, and a member bank is bemoaning the fact that it Advanced Funds On An Uncollected Item.

This Japanese may not operate again until his funds have been depleted, but we urge members to remain on the alert for his appearance. He is described as being about 28 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs about 155 pounds, yellow complexion, coarse black hair, smooth shaven; wears small gold rimmed spectacles; speaks good English, but with Japanese accent.

More "Cash and Bearer" Forgeries

SINCE the recent arrest in Los Angeles of DON DA COSTA and JACK W. LEDELL, better known as the "Cash and Bearer" Forgers, a new series of forgeries have been brought to light in that district. These checks are made out in a manner similar to those used by the men under arrest. They are made payable to cash and bearer. The handwriting, however, is different.

Several arrests have been made in connection with this case but the penman has not been caught and his checks are still in circulation. A different alias is used in each operation, which makes detection by name impossible, but the handwriting

in most cases is the same. Therefore, we suggest that particular attention be given to the specimens reproduced below.

98.02 Cash
Ninty Eight
Harry Overton

The forged checks are usually in the amount of \$32 or \$35 and bear notations such as: "In pay for Ford," "In pay for Cow," or "Pay on Rent." Kittle's last operations were in the vicinity of East Aurora, and he is said to be traveling in a 1920 Oakland touring car bearing license No. 302-679.

Herewith is reproduced a specimen of the writing of Kittle, he being described as follows: 30 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 165 or 170 pounds, slightly stooping, sloping shoulders, bald spot on top of head, dark hair.

Samuel A. Kittle
Samuel A. Kittle
Thirty two
Pay on rent

Woman Check Swindler

EMMA YOUNGBLOOD, who claims to represent the Merry Optical Company, Wichita, Kan., and taking orders for glasses, is reported by Kansas member banks as swindling their customers. After securing an order she requests a check in advance for services, which is usually given. The order is never filled, but the check is cashed immediately after it is received.

This woman is described as being 39 years of age, weight 115 pounds, cheaply dressed, right arm injured, stiff at elbow, making it difficult to write. The same name is used in each instance, so members can readily recognize the operator when she presents a check.

ARTHUR F. BECKER, alias Arthur F. Reed alias Alfred F. Reed. Checks numbered as follows: 449, 457, 458, 459, 519, 525, 528, 534, 565, 568, 571 and 598 were

Arthur F. Becker

stolen from the check book of the Big Four Stove Company, Los Angeles, Cal., and are being cashed by a party using these aliases. The checks are being presented to local merchants. Becker is described as

5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, dark complexion, smooth shaven, sloppy dresser. A specimen of his signature is reproduced herewith.

H. R. BERG is reported as recently operating in New York City where he defrauded a hotel by use of bogus checks drawn on the Lewiston Trust Company, Lewiston, Me. Berg is described as 23 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, light blue eyes, wore gray coat and gray flannel trousers, is an excellent pianist. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

H. R. Berg

SAMUEL A. KITTLE is operating with forged checks drawn on the Berwick National Bank, Berwick, Pa., and the Bank of East Aurora, East Aurora, N. Y. Checks drawn on the Berwick bank have borne the purported signatures of R. O. Bower and A. C. Deppe, who are responsible citizens. Checks drawn on the East Aurora bank have been signed "M. A. Paul."

W. J. BRENNAN, soliciting subscriptions to "The Franciscan Herald," secured a small check from a depositor of a member bank in Kansas City, Mo., which he raised to a larger amount and cashed. This check was paid by our member. A specimen of Brennan's writing is being reproduced below.

W. J. Brennan

E. E. BROWN, after securing the signature of a farmer in Carrollton, Mo., forged it to a check drawn on a local bank and succeeded in cashing it at a merchant's store in Waverly, Mo. Brown is described as about 32 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, dark tan complexion, light brown hair, black eyes, wore blue work shirt and khaki trousers. He gave his address as 1317 Charlotte Street, Kansas City, Mo.

GEORGE CAMERON, who is described as being about 60 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, sandy complexion, gray hair, thin on top, wears strong

spectacles, prominent gold teeth in front, one knee entirely stiff, giving appearance of a wooden leg, is reported by a member bank in Nardin, Okla., as disposing of mortgaged property and diverting the proceeds to his own use. Cameron disappeared from that section and members are requested to watch for him.

MRS. C. H. COX, alias Bessie Allen. A woman using these aliases is operating among merchants in Tulsa, Okla., with checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor of a local member bank. She is described as being 30 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 130 pounds, slender build, dark hair. Members are cautioned not to accept her checks.

E. E. DAVIS opened an account at a Detroit, Mich., member bank, depositing a check drawn on a Cincinnati, Ohio, bank signed C. G. Gordon. Davis was permitted to make a withdrawal. He then issued a check to T. Mitchell which was used to open an account at another bank. This check was also accepted for collection, and was later returned as drawn against an uncollected item. The check was put through a second time, and paid by our member, who believed the Cincinnati check had sufficient time to clear. It later developed that this check was bogus. A facsimile of Davis' writing is being reproduced below.

E. E. Davis

R. J. DEES is reported by a member bank in Paducah, Ky., as defrauding a depositor by means of a bogus check. The operator is selling patent medicines among the farmers and in a casual manner advises he is short of cash and requests that the farmer identify him at the bank, which is usually done. The farmer usually indorses the check and the operator receives the money. Dees is described as 38 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, dark complexion, dark hair, graying dark eyes, large ears, prominent lower lip. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

R. J. Dees

LEON GLASSER, posing as secretary of the Manhattan Brass and Electric Company, 30 Warren Street, New York City, called at a Reading, Pa., member bank where he was introduced by a local party known at the bank, and presented a check payable to his company for payment. The check was cashed for Glasser and was later returned as bearing a forged indorsement. Glasser is not an official of the company and has no authority to indorse their checks. Members are requested to be on the alert for the appearance of this criminal.

HARRY GLASSMAN stole a number of checks from a depositor of a Detroit, Mich., member bank. After forging the customer's signature thereon the operator cashed one of the checks at our member. Our agents are endeavoring to locate this crim-

inal, a specimen of whose writing is shown below.

Harry Glassman

JAMES T. HAVEY, alias Dr. F. I. Post, alias A. W. Scott, caused a member bank in Portland, Ore., to suffer a loss by the use of a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor. These checks are cashed among local merchants and later paid by our member. We are reproducing a specimen of the operator's writing.

*A. W. Scott
Dr. F. I. Post*

KENNETH W. HOWARD is traveling about in an Essex touring car bearing license Maine No. 106-B, and paying his way with bogus checks. These checks are drawn on the Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Company, Boston, Mass. Members in the New England States are requested to be on the alert for his appearance.

R. L. JONES, described as being 40 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weight 190 pounds, heavy build, opened an account with a check drawn on the Clay County State Bank, Excelsior Springs, Mo., signed M. W. Stewart. Through an oversight he was permitted to make withdrawals. The deposit check was later returned as bogus. A specimen of Jones' writing is shown below.

R. L. Jones

Bogus Pay Checks

A MEMBER bank in St. Louis, Mo., reports an operator using pay checks of the La Salle Iron Works, St. Louis, Mo., which are drawn on the St. Louis Union Trust Company, signed Austin D. Schucker. These checks are payable to ANTON KOWALSKY and are bogus. The firm name and words "Pay Check" are stamped thereon with a rubber stamp. A specimen of the writing appearing on the checks is reproduced below.

Anton Kowalsky

DR. A. L. LANSING presented a letter of introduction from a depositor to a member bank in San Francisco, and at the same

time produced a check drawn on the Nevada First National Bank, Tonopah, Nevada. This check, which was cashed on the strength of the letter received, was returned later as bogus. An investigation established the fact that Lansing called on the depositor and negotiated to purchase valuable property but failed to close the transaction. Lansing is described as 45 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, medium build, yellowish complexion, dark hair, blue eyes, smooth shaven, wore glasses.

F. LIVARRIA, giving a fictitious address, called at a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., where he presented a check supposedly signed by a depositor. The signature appearing genuine, the check was cashed, but it was later returned as a forgery. A specimen of the operator's writing is shown below.

F. Livarría

W. LOVETT EVANS had printed a special form check of the Evans' Live Wire Service, drawn on the Guarantee Trust Company, Atlantic City, N. J. These checks, which are bogus throughout, are being cashed in the vicinity of Toronto, Ont., Canada. Evans is described as 5 feet 7 inches tall, slight build, dark skin, wears glasses. We are reproducing a specimen of his handwriting below.

W. Lovett Evans

WILLIAM LYMAN caused a loss to a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., when he cashed a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor. We are reproducing below a specimen of this operator's writing to aid in distinguishing his checks.

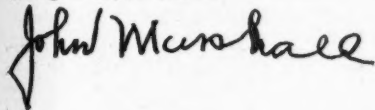
Wm Lyman

ARTHUR A. McRAE is issuing checks drawn on the First National Bank, Attleboro, Mass., in the vicinity of Portland, Me. McRae's account has been overdrawn and all checks are being returned marked "Insufficient Funds." McRae is described as 23 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 180 pounds, light complexion, brown hair parted in middle.

PERLIE MANNING, alias Harry Gross, caused a loss to a member bank in Concord, N. H., by use of forged checks. These checks are being cashed in the vicinity of Kennebunk, Me. Members are cautioned not to cash checks for this individual.

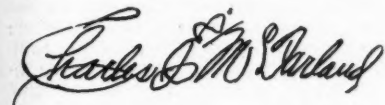
JOHN W. MARSHALL, hailing from Montreal, Quebec, Canada, arrived in Philadelphia, Pa., where he soon became acquainted at local banks. At a member bank he presented a sight draft drawn on John

Marshall, 262 Wood Avenue, Montreal. The draft was later returned dishonored. This individual will no doubt continue to pass these drafts, so members are advised not to accept them. A specimen of Marshall's writing is shown below.



EVELYN MATTHEWS is the name used by a woman who recently defrauded a member bank in Spokane, Wash., by use of a check bearing a forged signature of a depositor. Three checks were stolen from the depositor's check book, this being one of them. It was cashed at a local drug store. The operator is described as about 21 years of age, medium build and medium complexion.

CHARLES E. McFARLAND, claiming to be transferred by his employers, Ernst & Ernst, accountants, from Cleveland to Detroit, advised a member bank in Detroit that he likewise wished to change his checking account. He was permitted to open an account with an uncollected item, but was not allowed an advance. The check was later returned as bogus. McFarland never called at the bank again. A specimen of his writing is shown below.



LEO McQUADE, a huckster residing in Chicago, Ill., is again passing worthless checks. He was arrested a year ago for a similar offense. His recent checks are drawn on the Cass Avenue Bank, St. Louis, Mo., made payable to McQuade, and signed James McCormick or John C. Bensick. These checks are being cashed in St. Louis, and members in this vicinity are warned not to accept McQuade's checks.

E. N. MELTON gained possession of a blank check of N. P. Sloan Company, Fort Worth, Texas, which company went bankrupt several years ago. He forged the signature to this check and cashed it at Harrisburg, Texas. We do not know how many similar checks this operator has and are therefore warning members not to cash them. These checks are drawn on the Fort Worth National Bank, Fort Worth, Texas.

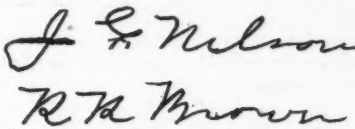
Care Saves Money

J. G. NELSON, posing as a rancher from J. Blythe, Cal., called at a Los Angeles member bank where he presented a certified check in a large amount which he stated was the proceeds of the sale of his ranch. He made a request for half the amount in cash which was needed to close another deal. The certification did not appear authentic, and the teller attempted to verify the name, whereupon Nelson left the bank. This operator is described as 60 years of age, 5 feet

Pay Roll Checks

A woman, described as 5 ft. 1 in. tall, weight 140 lbs., medium, dark complexion, full face, dressed in black, recently defrauded a member bank in Chicago, Ill., by the use of a printed check of John Sexton Company, wholesale grocers, drawn on the National Bank of Commerce, Chicago, payable to H. A. Moore. These checks are marked "Pay Roll" and signed John R. Whitcomb, Secretary, countersigned Samuel A. Berger, Treasurer, and are being returned as bogus. Members are warned to watch for similar checks. Check operators are making electrotypes of checks issued by well known firms, and are experiencing less trouble in having them cashed than with other forgeries.

6 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, tanned complexion, gray hair, blue eyes, wore light greenish suit, and cap to match. We are reproducing below a facsimile of the operator's writing.



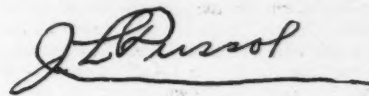
HARRY PACKARD deposited a check to his credit at a member bank in New York City. This check was returned as bogus and when questioned about it advised he would see the maker. He then deposited several hundred dollars in cash and later withdrew the greater part of this account. He then returned to deposit two checks signed Albert Thomas, drawn on the National Trust Company, Boston, Mass., a non-existent bank. Packard made no attempt to draw against the uncollected item and has not been seen since. We are unable to supply a description of Packard at present.

J. R. PATTERSON operated in Detroit, Mich., with bogus checks drawn on the Corn Exchange National Bank, Chicago, Ill. He is described as a middle aged man and he is known in Menominee, Mich. We are reproducing a specimen of Patterson's writing below.



J. L. PEIRSOL caused a loss to a member bank in St. Louis, Mo., through the medium of a worthless check drawn on the Commerce Trust Co., Kansas City, Mo. Peirsol was formerly in business in Oklahoma and may return to that state. He is

described as 45 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 200 pounds, dark complexion, dark hair, smooth shaven. A specimen of his writing is shown below.



ED. PHILLIPS, alias Thos. D. Murray, representing himself as chairman of the U. S. Treasury Department Employees Benevolent Society is soliciting advertisements for the above Society Year Book. This book was only published one year, several years ago. Phillips usually calls his prospect on the 'phone, asking permission for a representative to call and will then either call himself or send someone else. The operator is described as follows: 55 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, light complexion, thin gray hair, small white mustache, white goatee, wears black cutaway coat, dark gray trousers.

ROBERT PRUYNE, JR., alias Robert Benson, is operating among merchants in the vicinity of Hillsdale, New Paltz and Kingston, N. Y., with bogus checks drawn on the First National Bank, Philmont, N. Y. Pruyne is described as 22 years of age, 5 feet 7½ inches tall, light complexion, dark hair, blue eyes, mole on left cheek near mouth.

JAMES H. REGAN made a cash deposit at a member bank in Anderson, S. C., and later returned with a check drawn on the Colonial Trust Co., Philadelphia, Pa., signed Ralph Emerson, which he added to his credit. Two similar checks signed Geo. H. Stevens and Albert Hammond were also deposited. Regan was permitted to make withdrawals against these checks which were later returned as bogus. Regan also operated in Providence, R. I. Members are advised to be on the alert for this party.

HOWARD RICHARDS forged the signature of a depositor of a Washington, D. C., member bank to a check which he succeeded in cashing at a local auto-dealer from whom he purchased a car. Richards is believed to be either in New York City or Baltimore, Md., and our agents and the local authorities are endeavoring to locate him. He is described as being 26 years of age, 6 feet tall, light complexion, light brown hair, well dressed.

HARRY F. ROSE, after introducing himself at a member bank in Cincinnati, Ohio, stated he intended opening several restaurants in the city for the St. Regis Restaurant Corporation of New York and was desirous of starting a checking account. He deposited a very large check drawn on the First National Bank, New York City, signed Harry F. Rose. He later endeavored to withdraw funds but was refused. The check deposited was returned as bogus. Rose attempted to defraud other banks in Cincinnati.

J. S. SANNER, who is described as being 23 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, brown eyes, slightly crossed, recently opened an account with a bogus check drawn on the Merchants National Bank, Topeka, Kan. Sanner refused to leave his address at the time. Our member refused him credit. A specimen of the operator's writing is shown below.

J. S. Sanner

L. P. SCOTT recently defrauded a member bank in Washington, D. C., by the use of a check on which the amount had been altered. The signature was at first declared a forgery but later the alteration was detected. This check was evidently stolen from the mails. Scott is described as about 35 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, dark hair, smooth shaven, well dressed. Members are requested to be on the alert for this criminal for it is believed he will continue to operate in this manner.

JULIUS SHADNAGLE, a well-dressed young Jewish lad, representing himself as assistant treasurer, Bonesho-Shaidnagle Co., Milwaukee, Wis., recently opened an account at a member bank in Mechanicville, N. Y., giving as reference the proprietor of a local hotel. He stated he was looking for a store in which to open a silk shop. He presented as a deposit eight drafts drawn by the Central State Bank, Milwaukee, Wis., on the National City Bank of Chicago, Ill. He was informed by the cashier that he would not be permitted to withdraw until the items cleared. Shaidnagle was unable to secure funds in this transaction. We are reproducing a specimen of his handwriting below.

Julius Shaidnagle

R. M. SHIELDS, alias C. A. Wilson. Connecticut banks have reported this party as operating with bogus checks drawn on the First National Bank, Litchfield, Conn., and the Windsor Trust and Safe Deposit Company, Windsor, Conn. The writing on the face of the check is very large in comparison with the indorsement and can easily be recognized if the specimens below are studied carefully.

R M Shields
C. A. Wilson

FAITH L. SHIELLS, alias Laura H. Stokes, stole a book of checks from an employee of a Chicago, Ill., hospital. She is now operating in New York City with these checks, signing them Laura H. Stokes. They are drawn on the West Side National Bank, Chicago. The operator is a Christian Scientist and in this manner gains the confidence of her future victims. She is de-

Accommodating Lodger

H. E. HILL, alias A. F. Manley, after renting a furnished room for himself and wife, informs the landlady he represents a large grocery concern and will furnish her groceries at cost. He takes her order which he has filled at a local grocer for the purpose of getting acquainted. After keeping up the farce for several weeks, he presents a cashier's check which he succeeds in cashing. His latest check was drawn on the Carolina National Bank, Columbia, S. C., which was returned as bogus. Hill is driving an Oldsmobile car, bearing Illinois license number plates 523-018 which were stolen. The operator is described as 40 years of age, 5 ft. 10½ in. tall, weight 180 pounds, sandy hair streaked with gray, blue eyes. His companion is described as being 27 years of age, 5 ft. 6 in. tall, slender build, golden red hair, blue eyes, face and arms freckled, front teeth protruding.

scribed as being 50 years of age, medium height, stout build, hard of hearing, uses ear trumpet.

ALFRED SMITH. This individual is making purchases among merchants tendering checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor of a member bank in Inglewood, Cal. Our member paid several of these checks. Smith is described as 19 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 135 to 140 pounds, florid complexion, sandy or light hair, hands calloused and tanned. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

Alfred Smith

ARTHUR SMITH. Although this party closed his account at a member bank in Portland, Ore., he is still using their checks. One check was presented to our member and paid through error. Members in this locality are requested not to cash his checks. We are reproducing below a specimen of Smith's writing.

Arthur Smith

MRS. GAIL SMITH, an elderly woman, entered a member bank in Des Moines, Iowa, during the busy hours and presented a check signed Gail Smith. The teller did not scrutinize the signature carefully and

believing he recognized having such an account, paid the check. The carelessness caused our member a loss for they carried no such account. Members should instruct their tellers to compare all signatures carefully before accepting checks.

H. W. SCHAEFFER, a newspaper man employed by an Augusta, Ga., paper, received two checks in the mail from a woman in Cincinnati, Ohio. Later he called at a local bank, where his employer was well known, and presented the checks, but payment was refused until Schaeffer could produce proper identification or the indorsement of a responsible party. He was informed his employer's indorsement would be sufficient, whereupon the operator left the bank and returned in a few minutes with the check properly indorsed by his employer. The amount was paid, and Schaeffer disappeared. It was later learned the check was bogus and the indorsement a forgery. Schaeffer is wanted for defrauding several local parties in Augusta. He is described as 28 years of age, 5 feet 9 to 10 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, dark brown hair, blue eyes.

WALLACE STONE, alias C. C. Kennedy, is operating in Buffalo, N. Y., with worthless checks. These checks are drawn on the Marine & Traders National Bank, Buffalo, against the account of the Monarch Engineering Company. There is such a concern and H. R. Waite is president of the company, but the checks are all signed H. H. Waite. The operator so far has only defrauded merchants, but members are warned lest he change his mode of operation.

MARION S. THOMPSON, who formerly had an account at the Corn Exchange Bank, New York, N. Y., is now operating with their checks, which are being returned marked "No Account." This woman recently cashed a check in Avon, N. J. Members are advised not to cash similar checks.

HARRY ULRICH. A young man using this alias is being sought by a member bank in Spokane, Wash., on a charge of issuing worthless checks. The operator cashed the checks among local merchants, receiving merchandise in return. He is described as 20 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, medium complexion, stocky build, brown hair. A specimen of his writing is shown below.

Harry Ulrich

CLARK J. WHITTAKER, using such aliases as R. L. Baugh, R. L. Clark and B. R. Nealon, is being sought by the authorities at McDonald, Ohio, on charges of passing worthless checks drawn on the First National Bank, Girard, Ohio, and the Dollar Savings and Trust Company, Youngstown, Ohio. Whittaker, who served an eight-year term in the State Penitentiary, Moundsville, W. Va., is described as 27 years of age, 6 feet 1 inch tall, weighs 148 pounds, sallow complexion, brown hair, black eyes, wore gray suit.

CLYDE WILLIAMS, a negro, using such names as Fred G. Clark and Fred G. Smith, secured several checks belonging to a depositor of a member bank in San Francisco, Cal., and after forging the signature thereon cashed them among local merchants. These checks were later cashed by our member. Williams is described as being 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, heavy build, black hair, large mouth. He was arrested previously in Los Angeles, Cal., and Seattle, Wash., and a warrant is now being held in San Francisco, Cal., for his apprehension. We are reproducing below a specimen of his handwriting.

Fred G. Smith
Fred G. Clark

ROBERT L. LUTHER WILLIAMS. A cashier's check mailed to a party in Houston, Tex., was intercepted by a party using this alias. Williams eradicated the payee's name and inserted his own and succeeded in having it cashed. Other checks have been stolen by this criminal. He is described as being 5 feet 10 inches to 6 feet tall, weighs 140 to 150 pounds, slender build, dark complexion, dark hair. A facsimile of his handwriting is reproduced below.

Robert L. Luther Williams

W. C. WOOD, using such aliases as J. W. Brown, C. M. Wood, W. M. C. Wood and C. M. Miller, is reported as cashing bogus checks drawn on the Northern Westchester Bank, Katonah, N. Y., in the vicinity of Rye, Larchmont, Newburgh and White Plains, N. Y. This bank carries no accounts under these names, and members are warned not to accept similar checks.

A. R. WYNNE, alias A. Wynne. A Kansas City Mo., member bank has called our attention to an operator who is using these names. This party is cashing Field Pay Roll Account checks of the Empire Refiners Company, Augusta, Kan., which are drawn on the First National Bank of Augusta. These checks are worthless and should not be accepted by member banks. Wynne is described as 47 to 48 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 125 pounds, slender build, dark complexion, black hair mixed with gray. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

A Wynne

OSCAR VEILE recently operated in Chicago, Ill., cashing a worthless check drawn on the North Avenue State Bank, Chicago, Ill., signed Frank M. Boulter. Checks described as above should not be cashed for Veile.

Raised Stock Certificates

AFTER negotiating for a loan from a member bank in San Francisco, Cal., O. L. FULTZ, giving his address as 150 Franklin Street, San Francisco, gave as security 90 shares of oil stock. Our member granted the loan but later learned the operator raised the certificate from 1 to 90 shares.

Fultz, who is also known as James Archer, operated in a similar manner in Hollywood, Cal., and was previously arrested in Los Angeles, Cal., for a like offense. Members are cautioned to examine carefully all stock certificates presented for loans.

Fultz is described as 58 years of age, 5 feet 9 1/4 inches tall, weighs 185 pounds, has dark chestnut hair, gray eyes; nativity Ohio, occupation, telegrapher, train dispatcher and auto salesman.

Arrested

Forgers

ALLEN, JAMES—July 14, at Philadelphia, through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

ANTRIM, MRS. EARL—July 22, at Los Angeles, by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, confessed, held at city prison.

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ARNESON, ALVIN O.—July 17, at LaPorte, Ind., by local authorities, held at county jail.

ARTEMIS, JOHN—July 9, at Haverhill, Mass., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

BOYLE, LOUIS—July 11, at Chicago, by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents, held at city jail.

BYRD, ROBERT (Negro)—July 18, at Chicago, Ill., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

CLEMENS, EARL, alias Joseph Lander, alias Robert Benson, alias Frank Cosmos—July 19, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, held at city prison.

CORDOVA, ISADORE—July 17, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held at city prison.

DAILEY, ELMER—At Athens, Ohio, on information supplied by our detective agents, held at county jail.

DEWART, FRED, alias Robert Dean—At Buffalo, N. Y., by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents.

DREXLER, LOUIS—July 17, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held at city prison.

DRIZDA, VAKAR—July 23, at Muir, Mich., by local authorities, held at county prison.

DURFEE, E. O. M.—April 22, at San Diego, Cal., by local authorities, held at city prison.

EVANS, A. F., alias W. A. Evans, alias Frank A. Evans—July 23, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at county jail.

GEMBEL, JOSEPH B.—July 21, at

Philadelphia, Pa., by local authorities, held at city prison.

HANNAN, JOHN (T. N.), alias James Lewis—July 15, at Spokane, by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents.

HERWICK, ED. R.—July 11, at Los Angeles, through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

JANIK, EDWARD, alias Ed. Walter—July 23, at Chicago, by local authorities, held at city prison.

JARIVS, HARRY R., alias Theo. C. Parkins, alias Theodore C. June, alias C. C. Doyle—July 17, by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents.

JENKINS, LEROY (T. N.) (colored), alias George W. Rogers, alias Harry Price, alias Harry Taylor—Philadelphia, Pa., by local authorities.

KORNREICK, STANLEY, alias Robert Walker—July 25, at Chicago, through efforts of our detective agents, confessed, held at city prison.

LEVINE, THEODORE, alias Ted Anderson, alias Harris, alias Schwartz—July 12, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents.

LIPERMAN, EMANUEL, alias J. A. Goldberg—July 12, at New York, by local authorities, held at city prison.

MCGRAW, BURROUGHS—July 12, at Los Angeles, by local authorities, identified by our detective agents, held at city jail.

MASON, PAUL M.—July 18, at Chester, Pa., by local authorities, held at county jail.

MELENDEZ, JOSEPH—July 12, at Los Angeles, by local authorities, held at city prison.

MILLER, JAMES, alias Fred Miller, alias P. Mitchell—July 15, at Spokane, by local authorities, held at city prison.

POINTER, CHARLES M., alias Charles M. Holt—July 8, at Manchester, N. H., by local authorities, held at county jail.

PRENTICE, GEORGE M.—July 11, at Baltimore, through efforts of our detective agents, held at city jail.

PUTNAM, K. E.—At Seattle, Wash., by local authorities.

REDMOND, R. W., alias C. H. Martin, alias F. L. Rogers, alias Robert Webster—July 11, at San Joaquin, Cal., by local authorities, returned to San Jose.

SAAKE, LEONA, alias Barbara Lippmann—July 10, at St. Louis, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at House of Detention.

SEAMAN, FRED W.—July 16, at Buffalo, N. Y., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

SHERIDAN, PAUL DAVIS—July 17, at San Francisco, by local authorities, held at city prison.

SILVERMAN, MILTON F.—July 12, at New York, by local authorities, held at city prison.

SMITH, C. B. (Airbrake)—At Billings, Mont., by local authorities, held at county jail.

SOLOMON, DAVID—July 27, at Brooklyn, by local authorities, held at city jail.

STANDER, ABRAHAM, alias Ted Stanley—July 12, at New York, by local authorities, held at city prison.

STEARN, SAMUEL, alias Stone—July 12, at New York, by local authorities, held at city prison.

TARKER, MRS. M., alias Mrs. Marvin

E. Warner (T. N.), alias Mrs. George Carter, alias Mrs. George Summers—July 12, at Los Angeles, by local authorities, held at county jail.

TRUMBULL, JOHN—July 10, at Detroit, through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

VIVIAS, GEORGE, alias James Teros, alias Aleck Donon—July 7, at Boston, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city jail.

WAINWRIGHT, RICHARD J., alias Fred E. Pierce, alias Fred E. Peters (T. N.)—July 11, at San Francisco, by local authorities, held at city jail.

WAXMAN, JACK, alias Martin—July 12, at New York, by local authorities, held at city prison.

WEIR, ROBERT J.—July 11, at Portland, Ore., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

WILLIAMS, GEORGE, alias Otis Sims—May 31, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, on information supplied by our detective agents, returned to Tulsa, Okla.

Burglars

ARNOLD, GEORGE, alias W. E. Arnold—May 29, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents.

CLINE, FRED—May 29, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents.

HOUSE, GEORGE—July 13, at Pittsfield, Mass., by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents, held at county jail.

KLINE, alias "Devil's Lake Red"—May 29, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities.

LINDON, JOHN—May 29, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents, held at county jail.

MORRIS, DAN—May 29, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents, held at county jail.

MURPHY—July 13, at Pittsfield, Mass., by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents, held at county jail.

RICHMAN, HERMAN—May 29, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents.

SHIRLEY, REP.—May 29, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities.

Hold-Ups

ADAMS, CLARENCE P.—July 15, at Pawhuska, Okla., through efforts of our detective agents, held at county jail.

BRIGGS, J. S.—June 1, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, held at county jail.

BROWN, SMITH—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

CAMARATA, JOE—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., killed by sheriff at Kansas City, Mo.

CAMARATA, RAY—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

CARSON, JAMES—June 1, at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, held at county jail.

CLIFFORD, CORINE—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

DICKIE, ED.—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

DISHBEIN, FRANK, alias "Table

Legs," alias John Kasch—at Madison, Ill., by local authorities, held at county jail.

ETHRIDGE, JOHN L.—June 26, at Portland, Ore., by local authorities, held at city prison.

EVANS, TOM—July 25, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at county jail.

FEASTER, L. V.—July 14, at Anadarko, Okla., by local authorities, held at county jail.

FOLSOM, A. J.—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

GULLUP, GENE—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

HARDY, VIRGIL—July 11, at Ballinger, Tex., by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents, held at county jail.

HENSLEY, ERNEST—July 22, at Pawhuska, Okla., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

HORNBERGER, ARTHUR—July 16, at East Venice, Ill., by local authorities, held at county jail.

JARRETT, BERNARD—July 22, at Pawhuska, Okla., on information supplied by our detective agents, held at county jail.

JOHNSON, FRED—July 11, at Lyman Springs, Cal., by local authorities, held at county jail.

KEYS, JOHN—July 11, at Bullmeyer, Tex., by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents, held at county jail.

LOVETTE, ALFRED—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., through the efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

MELLON, JOHN—July 15, at Chicago, by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

MILLER, EDWARD—July 15, at Chicago, on information supplied by our detective agents, held at county jail.

MILLER, THOMAS—July 15, at Chicago, by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

MORRISON, KELSEY—June 26, at Fairfax, Okla., by local authorities, held in jail at Sapulpa, Okla.

MURPHY, ALLEN—July 14, at Kansas City, Mo., through the efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

O'CONNOR, BILL, alias Wm. O'Connor—July 7, at San Francisco, by local authorities, held at city prison.

OLDFIELD, CHARLES HENRY (T. N.), alias C. W. Harris—July 6, at Los Angeles, by local authorities, held at city jail.

REBEC, WM., alias Wm. Frank Rebec, alias "Dutch"—Madison, Ill., by local authorities, held at county jail.

RYAN, JAMES A.—July 13, at Pittsfield, Mass., by local authorities, held at county jail.

STANTON, ALPHENA—July 15, at Pawhuska, Okla., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at county jail.

SULLIVAN, H. H.—June 6, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

TRIMBLE, HERBERT—July 20, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

WALTERS, ALBERT, alias "Bozo"—July 11, at Madison, Ill., by local authorities, held at county jail.

WILLIAMS, EARL—July 11, at Lyman Springs, Cal., by local authorities, held at county jail.

Removed

Forgers, Etc.

Cramer, Edw.—1 year, Workhouse, St. Louis, Mo.

Dennes, Norcisse P.—2 years, State Penitentiary, Richmond, Va.

Durfee, E. O. M.—Released.

Foster, David—1 year, 1 day, Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga.

Marcus, Bernhard—2 years, Philadelphia County Prison, Philadelphia, Pa.

Meeker, Bruce H.—6 months, Multnomah County Jail, Portland, Ore. Pardoned.

Rosenbach, John W.—Forfeited bail.

Rothchild, Albert—Discharged.

Sneidman, Earl—Probation.

Wadell, H. H.—2 years, Chain Gang, Atlanta, Ga.

Weir, Robert J.—1 year, State Penitentiary, Walla Walla, Wash.

Burglars and Holdup Robbers

Boscoe, Tom—Released.

Bullock, De Grove—1 year to life, California State Prison, San Quentin, Cal.

Camarata, Joe—Killed by sheriff.

Diamond, Joseph—Death penalty.

Diamond, Morris—Death penalty.

Farina, John—Death penalty.

Patano, Morris—Death penalty.

Penyman, Marion—2 years, State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Tex.

Walker, Seth E.—2 years, State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Tex.

Whitt, Jeff—2 years, State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Tex.

Statistics of the Protective Department

	Awaiting trial August 31, 1923	Arrested since August 31, 1923	Arrested in August, 1924	Total	Convicted	Discharged or acquitted	Fugitive, escape, insane or died	Awaiting trial
Forgers, etc....	110	296	46	343	172	54	20	206
Burglars.....	12	54	10	63	9	2	3	62
Holdup robbers..	34	77	35	112	56	3	4	83
Sneak thieves..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total.....	156	427	91	518	237	59	27	351

Strangers Are Not Always Crooks, but Crooks Are Usually Strangers. Stop Cashing Checks for Them Without Positive Proof of Identity. Your Protection Will Be Increased by Action on the Many Warnings in This Bulletin

PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

American Bankers Association Journal

SECTION TWO

**Crooks Use
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Checks System**

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CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES.—I. N. Van Nuys Building.
CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON.—500 Southern Building.
FLORIDA, MIAMI.—220-221 Calumet Building.
GEORGIA, ATLANTA.—921-922 Healey Building.
ILLINOIS, CHICAGO.—1050 Otis Building.
IOWA, DES MOINES.—609 Observatory Building.
LOUISIANA, NEW ORLEANS.—930-932 New Hibernia Bank Building.
MARYLAND, BALTIMORE.—Fidelity Building.
MASSACHUSETTS, BOSTON.—200 Devonshire Street.
MICHIGAN, DETROIT.—Dime Savings Bank Building.
MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS.—McKnight Building.
MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY.—Ridge Arcade Building.
MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS.—Railway Exchange Building.
NEW YORK, BUFFALO.—D. S. Morgan Building.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—165 Broadway.
OHIO, CINCINNATI.—1012 Keiths Theatre Building.

OHIO, CLEVELAND.—Swetland Building.
OKLAHOMA, OKLAHOMA CITY.—908 Colcord Building.
OREGON, PORTLAND.—Yeon Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.—Widener Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PITTSBURGH.—1108 Diamond Bank Building.
TENNESSEE, MEMPHIS.—Bank of Commerce and Trust Building.
TEXAS, DALLAS.—207 Mercantile Bank Building.
TEXAS, HOUSTON.—Union National Bank Building.
TEXAS, SAN ANTONIO.—Gunter Building.
UTAH, SALT LAKE CITY.—301-302 Tribune Building.
VIRGINIA, RICHMOND.—Virginia Railway and Power Building.
WASHINGTON, SEATTLE.—L. C. Smith Building.
WASHINGTON, SPOKANE.—Old National Bank Building.

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Crooks Use "Second-Hand Checks"

BANK criminals are ever seeking a new opportunity to operate where the possibility of successful prosecution is slight and, in the case of second hand checks, they have found such a method. By a "second hand check" is meant a check bearing two endorsements and presented or deposited by the second endorser.

In several cases, our agents have experienced difficulty in having the District Attorney act, due to the fact that it cannot be proved the second endorser did not receive the fraudulent document in good faith. It is usually

necessary in these cases to revert to the opinion of a handwriting expert to determine whether or not the writing of the first and second endorser is that of the same person. A clever criminal generally prepares for such a situation.

The operator usually opens an account with cash and shortly afterwards deposits a check such as described above. When such deposits are made to new accounts we would suggest that these accounts be carefully checked as to addresses, references, and other particulars. In so doing our members may prevent losses to themselves.

Old Method Used to Defraud Banks

A MAN using numerous aliases is meeting with considerable success in defrauding banks in Greater New York through being permitted to make withdrawals before returns have been received on the items he has deposited.

There is nothing new in the method of operation employed. The operator opens an account by depositing one or more checks drawn on another bank, which in many instances is a branch of the Corn Exchange Bank, then the following day he deposits another check and presents a check made payable to "Cash." He has been permitted to make withdrawals although the checks deposited are returned marked "Forgery," or "No Account." A peculiarity is that the checks deposited are generally signed with the name of a man who carries an account in the bank on which they are drawn, but no attempt is made to imitate the genuine signature. It will be noted that if a teller attempts to

make a telephone verification, he will be informed that an account is carried in the name signed to the check deposited.

Do not permit new customers, who in reality are strangers, to make withdrawals against items before returns have been received.

The following aliases have been used by the operator, and as he has employed some of them on different occasions, he may be recognized through one of them: George Ost, George Ortell, George Maher, S. G. Sullivan, Charles Bauer, R. W. Hill, Charles Wahl.

Below is reproduced writing on checks deposited.

Charles Bauer
Three hundred

Disguised writing appearing on checks making withdrawals.

Charles Bauer
Cash sixty 00/100

Ost, alias Bauer, etc., is about 33 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, black wavy hair, dark eyes, long thin face, straight nose; Jewish.

If every New York bank will call this warning to the attention of its new account tellers and paying tellers, and they will heed same, further loss may be prevented and a criminal apprehended.

The system is old, but it has been worked successfully a number of times recently.

Cohen Changes Form of Check

SEVERAL warnings were published in this supplement regarding the operations of Samuel Cohen, alias Herbert C. Mellon.

This operator, by use of bogus certified checks, drawn on various banks against accounts such as Harry Lewis & Co. and Little, Jones & Co., has defrauded numerous merchants throughout the country. He has again changed the form of his check to read New York Lamp Shade Company. These checks are drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank, New York City. Some of the aliases used by this criminal are Victor A. Dietz, Glen R. Yates, George A. Campbell, Edgar Williams, Walter Unger and Howard V. Young.

This operator is described as 30 years of

age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, sandy hair and short, stubby moustache, blue eyes. He may wear shell-rimmed

glasses and gray fedora hat. The operator's writing is always the same and we therefore request members to study the

specimens reproduced below, for he will most likely change the style of his checks again to avoid detection.

Cohen is able to get his checks cashed because they appear to be for salary and expenses and are "certified" for what seems to be a plausible amount. This combination has worked in the past, but it will be noted that his handwriting is always the same

and this feature ought to aid an alert teller in spotting his operations. He doubtless will change the name of the firm, whose check he is ostensibly using and continue his operations.

New York Lamp Shade Co.
5111 Lamp Shades, Kamps, Wood Kountess
NO. 4447
NEW YORK, N. Y. JUL 24 1924
Salary and Expense Check
PAY TO THE ORDER OF GLEN R. YATES
THE SUM OF \$125 AND 00 CENTS
The Corn Exchange Bank
New York, N. Y.
CERTIFIED
JUL 24 1924
DOLLARS
Glen R. Yates

Cohen's latest forgery

Defunct Railway Bonds Cashed

HAVING secured a bond of a defunct railway company, J. B. MAGEE, alias Geo. H. Stanley, succeeded in cashing one of the coupons attached thereto. Realizing how simple it was to negotiate these coupons he immediately purchased bonds of other defaulted railway companies, which were on sale at a very low figure. The operator secured bonds of the Colorado Midland Railway Company, Winona and Southwestern and the Island Refining Corporation.

Members should check coupons to ascertain their actual value before making payments. The operator is described as being 35 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 190 pounds, dark complexion, smooth shaven, slightly stooped shouldered, wore gray fedora hat. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.



Watch for These Bonds

A MEMBER bank in Paragould, Ark., reports the following list of Liberty Bonds as having been stolen in a recent holdup. Members are requested to watch out for these bonds and notify this association in the event they are presented.

Amount	Number	Issue
\$1,000	E01289650	Second Liberty Loan
1,000	B01289657	Second Liberty Loan
1,000	C01289658	Second Liberty Loan
1,000	C01194473	Second Liberty Loan
1,000	C00862933	Second Liberty Loan
1,000	C01109208	Second Liberty Loan
1,000	B00300947	Second Liberty Loan
1,000	C00300948	Second Liberty Loan
50	D00207244	Second Liberty Loan
50	D00002384	Second Liberty Loan
500	661608	Third Liberty Loan
500	661609	Third Liberty Loan
500	661610	Third Liberty Loan
500	465332	Third Liberty Loan
50	6203224	Third Liberty Loan
50	6203225	Third Liberty Loan
50	6203226	Third Liberty Loan
50	6203227	Third Liberty Loan
50	6203228	Third Liberty Loan
50	6203229	Third Liberty Loan
50	6203230	Third Liberty Loan
1,000	C01105213	Fourth Liberty Loan
1,000	B00344542	Fourth Liberty Loan
1,000	D01771404	Fourth Liberty Loan
1,000	H00890138	Fourth Liberty Loan
1,000	G00890137	Fourth Liberty Loan
1,000	B01725172	Fourth Liberty Loan
1,000	J01725169	Fourth Liberty Loan
1,000	A01725171	Fourth Liberty Loan
100	C04148453	Fourth Liberty Loan
50	D04148454	Fourth Liberty Loan
50	H06025548	Fourth Liberty Loan

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Stolen Bonds

THE following bonds are reported by McPherson Holt, Counselor at Law, Chicago, Ill., as having been stolen: W. E. Williams Company, Oconto, Wis. First Mortgage 6 per cent bonds due Jan. 1, 1925. No. 91 and 92 \$500 each, No. 96 for \$250. Members are requested to advise this Association in the event they are presented.

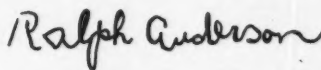
Fake Officer

ASSUMING the role of an officer in the Aerial Mail service, a party using the name Charles H. Howe, has been permitted by hotels to incur bills which he neglects to pay. In some cases he will settle with a check which later proves to be worthless. Several merchants have also been defrauded in the latter manner. We are warning members in the event he extends his operations to banks. Howe is described as 26 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, blond hair, heavy jaws.

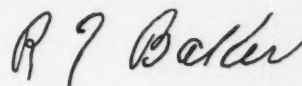
WARNING!

ELMER HARVEY ALLEN, also known under the aliases, James R. Burns, James R. King, Harry J. Alton and Harry Wainwright, defrauded several merchants in Philadelphia, Pa., by use of checks drawn on the Textile National Bank, Philadelphia. He is described as 27 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 130 pounds, medium build, auburn sandy hair.

RALPH ANDERSON, alias Fred Anderson. Several checks drawn on the American State Bank, Detroit, Mich., signed August McMahon, were presented to a member bank in River Rouge, Mich., bearing the forged endorsement of a depositor to guarantee payment. The signature being almost an exact reproduction of the original, the teller did not hesitate to accept the check with the result it was later returned as bogus and forged. The teller is unable to supply a description of the operator. We are reproducing below a specimen of the writing appearing on the checks.

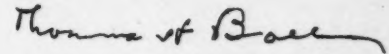


R. T. BAKER, who gives the fictitious address 1206 W. 11th Street, Los Angeles, Cal., recently operated with a forged check, causing a member bank a loss. Baker is unknown to the depositor. We are unable to supply a description of the operator, but are reproducing below a specimen of his writing.



THOMAS H. BALL. This individual, using a worthless check drawn on the Merchants National Bank, Elmira, N. Y., defrauded a local hotel. He registered from New York City. Ball is described as

being 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 150 to 155 pounds, black hair, smooth shaven, pleasant features, Jewish. We are reproducing below a specimen of this operator's writing.

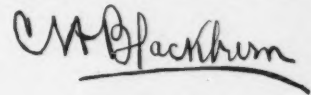


Deposits Foreign Checks

GEORGE BALLARD presented a letter of introduction from a stockholder to a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., and then opened an account with a check for 100,000 francs, drawn on the Espanol Del Rio De La Plata. He also deposited a check for a large amount drawn on a Quebec, Canada, bank. These items, he was informed, were accepted for collection only but, however, the following day he returned and withdrew \$700 and then disappeared. The deposit checks were returned as worthless.

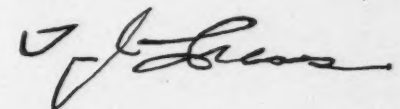
Ballard met the stockholder while en route from Rio de Janeiro to New York. The operator is described as 45 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 190 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, defected right eye, smooth shaven, occupation physician, slight foreign accent, heavy drinker.

C. H. BLACKBURN is circulating checks in New York City and vicinity which are entirely bogus. They are all drawn on the Chase National Bank, New York City. Blackburn has bonds to show his connection with the Standard Varnish Company of New York and Chicago. We are reproducing below a specimen of his writing.



WILLIAM C. CONROY presented a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor to a member bank in Cambridge, Mass., which they paid. The operator is described as 26 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds.

T. J. CRESS presented a check to a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., drawn on a branch bank. Through error the teller mistook the signature for that of one of their depositors and paid the check, but it was later discovered the initials of their customer were different. We are reproducing below a specimen of Cress's writing.



WALTER B. DAHLHY, alias Emil S. Doersch, alias William Bossenmaier. Bogus certified checks bearing these names were received by the Lake Shore Trust & Savings Bank, Chicago, Ill., from a member bank in St. Paul, Minn. One of the checks

is signed R. Y. Riss Publishing Co., R. S. R. We are unable to describe the operator.

E. T. DALTON, using checks drawn on the Bell National Bank, Pineville, Ky., in which bank he carries no account, recently defrauded a customer of a New York City member bank. Other checks were cashed in California, Texas and Washington, D. C. Dalton is described as 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 115 to 120 pounds, slender build, light brown hair, may claim to be an insurance representative of the Indianapolis Insurance Company.

RUTH DEVER DAVIS, passing bogus checks of the Penn State Hardware Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., drawn on the East Savings & Trust Company, Pittsburgh, recently operated in New York City. Members are cautioned against cashing similar checks.

A Sad Story

R. L. DENNY, an old-timer, is again reported up to his old tricks of passing worthless checks. A member bank in Mount Vernon, N. Y., advises Denny presented a worthless check drawn on the Hamilton State Bank, St. Louis, Mo., which they accepted. He claimed to be a civil engineer and just returning from a vacation tour through Canada. He further claimed to have been robbed by a young man whom he befriended and carried from Vermont.

Denny is about 31 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 138 pounds, medium build, medium complexion, light chestnut hair, scar left side of mouth, upper lip and over right eyebrow. Members are warned lest they put faith in this criminal's story. A specimen of his writing is shown below.

R. L. Denny

CHARLOTTE ESCOMS called on a depositor of a member bank in Brooklyn, N. Y., and presented for payment a check which she claimed was drawn by her employers, the Bailey Reflector & Sign Company, who had sent it to her for commissions due. The check, which was drawn on the United Trust & Savings Bank, Pittsburgh, Pa., was given in payment of a dress and the balance was received in cash. The entire check proved to be bogus. We are reproducing below a specimen of this woman's writing.

Charlotte Escoms
James O. Stoffus

MARY REED. This woman defrauded a member bank in Omaha, Neb., through the medium of a bogus check drawn on a bank in Elkhart, Ind., signed Geo. W. Reed.



Hugh B. Dobbs

HUGH B. DOBBS, whose photograph is shown above, is wanted in Enid, Okla., where he recently defrauded a member bank who advanced funds on a worthless cashier's check. This draft was drawn on Ladd and Tilton Bank, Portland, Ore. Dobbs is known in Portland through similar transactions. He is described as being 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 135 to 140 pounds, tanned complexion, brown hair, blue eyes, smooth shaven.

DAVID R. FRANCIS. A depositor of a member bank in Seattle, Wash., returned several checks to his bank, claiming them to be forgeries. These checks are all payable to D. Francis and were cashed among merchants. This criminal is described as being 40 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, black hair, partly bald, smooth shaven, sharp features, nationality French.

Reprints Counter Checks

ANTONIO GAMIZ, alias Manuel Flores, alias B. B. Jones, secured a counter check of the Guaranty State Bank, San Antonio, Tex., which he reprinted so as to represent a draft and cashed it at a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal. This draft was signed B. R. Webb, vice-president. Although Mr. Webb is an official, he is not now active, therefore any drafts so signed should be refused. A specimen of the operator's writing is being reproduced below.

Antonio Gamiz

JEROME J. GOODMAN, employed by a warehouse in Chicago, Ill., as bookkeeper and cashier, stole several of their blank checks, which he filled in and signed. These checks he later cashed at a local member bank. Goodman is being sought by our agents and is described as being 33 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, fair complexion, stocky build, brown hair, blue eyes, small mouth, lower lip protrudes.

F. HASTINGS, alias T. H. Bishop. Our agents, operating with the Spokane authorities, are endeavoring to locate this individual, who is wanted for defrauding a member bank in Spokane, Wash. Hastings, who is a drug addict, issued a check to the bank which was returned by their

depositor as a forgery. The operator is left-handed. In the event he is located, kindly notify our agents' nearest office.

F. W. HUSSEY is touring the Shenandoah Valley leaving his name on a number of bogus checks behind him. These checks are all drawn on the Second National Bank, Morgantown, W. Va., the latest one coming from Spartanburg, S. C. Members, particularly in this vicinity, are urged to watch for Hussey.

E. ILSE, alias P. Thorp, are the names used by a party who is operating in Spokane, Wash., with forged checks. A member bank cashed two of his checks before the forgery was discovered. The operator is about 20 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, light complexion, wore dark clothes and cap.

R. B. JEROME. After establishing his identity, this individual opened an account at a Detroit member bank, making a cash deposit. A few days later he deposited a bogus check drawn on the First National Bank, Richmond, Va., signed Russel T. Scott, Jr. The operator called at the bank several times to make change, giving him the opportunity to make the acquaintance of the teller. He then issued a check greater than the amount of cash on deposit and was given the money.



Sam Johnson

SAM JOHNSON, whose photograph is reproduced above, has been identified by a depositor of a member bank in Oakland, Cal., as the passer of a forged check. This check was paid by our member. Johnson was previously arrested for a similar offense in San Diego, Cal. He is described as 28 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair, neat dresser, smooth talker.

Bogus Payroll Checks

THE First National Bank, St. Louis, Mo., reports receiving several payroll checks of the Hines Brothers Construction Company, St. Louis, Mo., contractors of general railroad construction work, which checks are payable to Ernest Cole and signed F. A. Hines, Timekeeper. These checks, which were cashed by merchants, are bogus throughout.

Counterfeit \$20 Bills

THE Treasury Department, Washington, D. C., reports a very poor counterfeit of the \$20 issue in circulation. They are on the National Commercial Bank & Trust Company of Albany, N. Y., printed from lightly etched plates of poor workmanship. It bears Charter No. 1301, Bank No. 26594 and Treasury No. H 260796 H, also portrait of Hugh McCullough. These bills look more like advertising matter than money and should be easily detected by one familiar with currency.

OSCAR JOHNSON, alias Arvid Johnson, employed as a deck hand for a depositor of a member bank in Napa, Cal., is being sought in connection with a forged check which has been cashed by our member. This check is one of several stolen from the check book of the depositor. Johnson is described as 28 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, medium build, dark hair. A specimen of Johnson's writing is shown below.

Oscar Johnson
Arvid Johnson

A Hobby Player

H. F. LAMAREE, after finding the hobby of a merchant, his intended victim, to be hunting, became conversant on the subject and then approached the dealer. By discussing this subject, Lamaree soon gained the confidence of the merchant. He then presented a check drawn on the First National Bank, Portland, Ore., and secured the cash. This check was later returned as bogus. Lamaree operated in Gold Hill, Ore. He is described as 30 years of age, medium height, dark complexion.

HELEN E. LANGE, alias Helen E. Moore. A member bank reports this woman as operating with bogus checks drawn on the First National Bank, Summit, N. J. The checks are being cashed among merchants in Paterson, N. J., Montclair, N. J., and the vicinity. The operator is described as about 5 feet 5 inches tall, stout build, dark hair, well dressed,

A Cattle Buyer

A PARTY representing himself to be H. C. Helm approached a veterinary surgeon in Highland, Ill., stating that he had been recommended by a St. Louis physician, and requested that he be introduced to some one who could assist in the purchase of cattle. The meeting between the operator and a local dealer was arranged. The dealer paid for the cattle purchased for which the operator reimbursed him later with a worthless check. He then stated he was in need of cash and produced a cashier's check.

The dealer accommodated the operator by indorsing his O. K. on said check which was paid by a local bank. This check was also returned as worthless. Helm is described as 28 to 30 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 185 to 200 pounds, well built, blonde hair, blue eyes, wore ivory bull head watch charm.

apparently well educated. A specimen of her signature is reproduced below.

Helen E. Lange
Arvid Lange

HAROLD MASON, using the name of a friend, opened an account at a member bank in Detroit, Mich., depositing a forged check drawn on a bank in Concord, Ohio. He is also wanted in Marysville, Ohio, as a fugitive from justice. We are reproducing his writing below.

Chas. A. Mason

T. R. NANCE, alias W. E. Huttenlocker, a very heavy set man, is reported by a member bank in Fresno, Cal., as operating with forged checks. This individual was employed by an ice cream company to take charge of a soda fountain leased by a local drug store. During this time he acquired possession of several blank checks which he forged and cashed. Nance is described as being 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 220 pounds, has broken arches making walking difficult, very loud and boastful in his talk. A facsimile of his signature is reproduced below.

W. E. Huttenlocker

HARRY C. PARKER, alias William Parker, of Joplin, Mo., forged the signature of his former employer to several checks, which he cashed in St. John and Mackville, Kan. These checks were later paid by a member bank in Hudson, Kan. Parker was employed in Hudson during the wheat harvest. He made several purchases, including an old car, which were paid by check. A warrant for Parker's arrest is held by the Sheriff in Stafford County, Kan.

R. R. SPANN made himself known at a member bank in St. Clair, Pa., and then opened an account with a small amount of cash and a check drawn on the Pennsylvania Trust Company of Reading. At the time he claimed to represent a commercial agency and inquired for recommendations for someone to be his agent in the locality. He called at regular intervals, making similar cash and check deposits, finally withdrawing a sum exceeding the cash on deposit. The deposit checks were returned later as bogus.

Spann is described as 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 3 inches tall, brown hair, dark moustache, very pleasant voice. We are reproducing below a facsimile of the operator's signature.

R. R. Spann

N. TANIHARA, alias T. Hashiyama. This Jap presented a forged check to a member bank in El Centro, Cal., and secured the cash. He is now being sought by our member. We are unable to supply a description of the operator at present.

CHARLES TURNER, alias Henry Schultz, alias Kurt Werner, a German, opened accounts in Boston, Mass., and New York City with bogus checks. After securing check books, he passed a number of checks among local merchants. Turner is about 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 125 pounds, face freckled, hair sandy, eyes blue, smooth shaven, appearance of a mechanic, speaks broken English. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

Kurt Werner
Henry Schultz

FRANK WAYMAN, Albert Norman and John Burke are the names being used by a party who recently stole several checks from a depositor of a member bank in Chicago which he is disposing of among local merchants. The operator is described as being 30 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, well built, fair complexion, light brown hair.

Mosheik, Youthful Forger, Is Caught

AARON MOSHEIK, the youthful and daring check forger, has been apprehended.

The operations of this 19-year-old forger were the subject of a warning, broadcast in the August JOURNAL. Banks in the Middle West were especially cautioned to watch for his next strike. It was related that Mosheik rarely appeared in the transactions, using accomplices to realize cash on the forged checks. "Mosheik," it was stated, "usually operates in the larger cities of the central west and eastern states. He will be arrested quickly if members insist on direct verification of their depositors' signatures on checks presented by strangers." And it was through an accomplice and a heeding to past warnings that Mosheik was arrested in Chicago early in September.

A Chicago bank cashed a check drawn on another bank for \$1,250, for William Twomey, who had a small account. It appeared to have been issued by an alleged bootlegger, but there were two other endorsements. It was returned as a forgery. When the check was inspected

by our detective agents' Chicago representatives, it was readily recognized as Mosheik's penmanship. The bank was requested to detain the man, who had presented the check, if he appeared again. Fortunately Twomey returned, was held

protective work, Mosheik's residence was learned and his arrest was effected.

When surprised by the detectives and taken into custody, Mosheik said that he was just about ready to surrender himself to the police because he had learned that

he was wanted in Detroit, the scene of his most recent operations. Mosheik was jailed on the counts of forgery and conspiracy to defraud. He boasted that the authorities would not be able to "prove anything on him." He has worked through accomplices in his operations and has sought to convince them that nothing can happen to them because he has the pull.

In Detroit, Mosheik aided an accomplice in obtaining funds on one of his forgeries. His confederate presented a check drawn against the account of a depositor. Mosheik, having established himself at another local bank as A. S.

Morris, identified his accomplice and this enabled him to get the check cashed.

Mosheik's arrest follows the apprehension of Collins, Gleason, Langham, Elze, Ledell, Da Costa and other daring operators, whose downfall may be traced to heeding warnings.



Aaron Mosheik, who was arrested in Chicago

by one of the bank's guards and arrested.

Maintaining a sullen, close-mouthed attitude, Twomey refused to reveal where Mosheik was staying and would not admit that the youthful forger was the author of the check. By an adroit stroke of de-

Last of Spencer Gang Captured

IT is needless to relate the details concerning the operations of the notorious Al Spencer Gang, for their daring escapades are well known to bankers in Arkansas, Kansas and Oklahoma, but for those not familiar with their actions, we refer to the article appearing in the October, 1923, JOURNAL supplement. Bank holdups were a daily occurrence in these states, but since the capture and death of Al Spencer, the leader of this gang, they have been reduced to a minimum.

While engaged on an investigation of the holdup of a member bank in Skedee, Okla., our detective agent's representative was requested to assist in the raid of a rendezvous of outlaws which had just been located in the Okessa Hills. Little did he realize at the time that he would assist in the capture of Ralph White, the right hand man of the dare-devil Spencer, and the last member of his gang. The sheriff and his posse proceeded to the location of the criminals and after an exchange of shots, they were cap-

tured. Ralph White was seriously wounded and there is a possibility he may not recover. He is now confined in a local hospital. Blaine Nichols was slightly hurt. He and Roscoe Smith, the third member of the party, were placed in the county jail.

The arrest of White brings to a close the history of the most lawless band since Henry Starr and Jesse James. The name of Spencer will forever be linked with these men, who are notorious in the American annals of banditry.

Arrested

Forgers

ADLER, LOUIS—alias John Carrone, May 17, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held at city prison.

ALLEN, LAWRENCE R.—alias Ralph A. Weldon, at Los Angeles, Cal., by local authorities, held at city jail.

ALLEN, R. G. (T. N.)—alias G. C. Allen, alias G. C. Allens, alias R. Allen, August 15, 1924, at Portland, Ore., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

ALSPAUGH, H.—August 27, 1924, at Albuquerque, N. M., by local authorities, held at county jail.

ANDERSON, HARRY—alias Albert Con-

ger (T. N.)—August 26, 1924, at Baltimore, Md., by local authorities, held at city jail.

ARON, EARL IRVING—September 10, 1924, by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at city jail.

AURELLANO, DEMETRIO—August 16, 1924, at Los Angeles, Cal., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

BILLINGS, A. F.—alias J. A. Reisman, alias O. D. Brand, August 9, 1924, at Atlanta, Ga., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, confessed.

BOULIS, G. D.—August 20, 1924, at Seattle, Wash., by local authorities, held at city prison.

BRENNER, C. J.—August 30, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city jail.

BROWN, E. N.—alias E. A. Buick, alias Buick Bros. Furniture Co., at Minneapolis, Minn., to be returned to St. Louis, Mo.

BUCKLEY, JAMES J.—at Los Angeles, Cal., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at city jail.

COLEMAN, FRANK E.—August 12, 1924, at St. Louis, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

DALY, WILLIAM—at Syracuse, N. Y., by local authorities.

DAWSON, BERT G.—July 29, 1924, at San Francisco, Cal., through efforts of our detective agents.

DOLAN, JIM—at Los Angeles, Cal., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at city jail.

FOWLER, WALTER—alias James V. Ryan, etc., at Cleveland, Ohio, by local authorities.

FRANKLIN, RAY—at San Francisco, Cal., by local authorities, returned to Los Angeles, Cal.

FREEDMAN, ADOLPH—August 30, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held city jail.

FREY, OTTO H.—August 11, 1924, at Los Angeles, Cal., through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city prison.

GINSBURG, HARRY—August 16, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities cooperating with our detective agents, held at city prison.

GOODMAN, JEROME J.—September 2, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city jail.

GRAHAM, AL.—August 21, 1924, at Los Angeles, Cal., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city prison.

HYMAN, HARRY—August 15, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held at city prison.

INGRAM, CHARLES A.—August 18, 1924, at Norfolk, Va., by local authorities, to be returned to Richmond, Va.

JACOBS, DAVID—at Denver, Colo., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

JONES, MRS. L. A.—alias Mrs. R. W. Jones, August 21, 1924, at Strader, La., through efforts of our detective agents, held at county jail.

KING, MARY—June 5, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents.

KORN, JOE—August 29, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held at city jail.

KORN, MEYER—alias Max Gold, August 22, 1924, at New York, N. Y., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

LANE, FRANK—August 29, 1924, at Des Moines, Iowa, by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents.

LEWIS, NORMAN—alias H. Leons, alias H. Leon Sarchil, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents.

LYNCH, THOMAS E.—August 20, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

MCCARTHY, THOMAS J.—alias John Hanard, August 10, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents, held at city prison.

MCCONE, BERNARD—September 3, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at city jail.

MAYER, GEORGE—alias Walter Collins, alias J. G. Nelson, at Butte, Mont., through efforts of our detective agents.

MOSHEIK, AARON—September 4, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city jail.

Lost Certificate

ALL member banks are warned to be alert for the appearance of a Certificate of Deposit issued by the Orange County Trust & Savings Bank of Santa Ana, Calif., and amounting to \$4,000. The lost Certificate was dated March 5, 1924, numbered 6054, in favor of Thomas M. Norton, it is reported as payable six months from date with interest at 5 per cent and endorsed in blank by Thomas M. Norton. In the event of this Certificate being located, the above bank should be immediately notified by telegraph. Prompt notice of its discovery direct to the California Bankers Association and the nearest office of our detective agents will also be appreciated.

POSNER, MAX—August 7, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at city jail.

RENGELHEIN, HARRY—August 22, 1924, at New York, N. Y., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

SINGERMAN, HORACE—August 5, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at city prison.

SMITH, W. M.—alias O. P. Smith, August 20, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city prison.

SNOWER, RUBEN—August 13, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., through efforts of our detective agents.

STEELE, E. A.—August 6, 1924, at Hendersonville, Ga., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, to be returned to Atlanta, Ga.

STERNBERG, NORA A.—August 27, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city prison.

STODDARD, CHARLES—July 19, 1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held at city prison.

WALKER, EMERSON W.—August 10, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents.

WARD, GEORGE A.—alias George A. Award, August 13, 1924, at Detroit, Mich., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city prison.

WILSON, HERBERT C.—September 3, 1924, at Los Angeles, Cal., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city jail.

WILSON, ROBERT F.—September 4, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at city jail.

WINTERS, WILLIAM—September 6,

1924, at New York, N. Y., by local authorities, held at city prison.

Burglars

BLAINE, ROBERT F.—alias "Missouri Bobby," at Watertown, S. D., by local authorities, returned to Wahpeton, N. D., held at county jail.

CARVER, FLOYD—at Davenport, Iowa, by local authorities, held at county jail.

CARVER, RALPH—at Davenport, Iowa, by local authorities, held at county jail.

COX, WILLIAM H.—July 21, 1924, at Houston, Texas, by local authorities, held at city prison.

REILLY, JAMES—at Minot, N. D., by local authorities, identified by our detective agents, held at county jail.

Hold-Ups

ALTON, FRED—July 23, 1924, at Joplin, Mo., by Federal authorities, held at county jail.

BARNETT, ROBERT—August 1, 1924, at Coffeyville, Kan., by local authorities, held at county jail.

BARNETT, SAM—August 31, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

BARTLETT, THOMAS—September 4, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., through efforts of our detective agents, held at city jail.

BUSHY, JOHN H.—August 1, 1924, at Coffeyville, Kan., by local authorities, held at county jail.

CARDIN, MARK—at Tulsa, Okla., by local authorities, confessed to our detective agents.

CARL, ANTHONY—September 4, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at city jail.

COTTLE, MRS. SYLVIA—August 13, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

CUSTARD, ELGIN—at Jonesboro, Ark., by local authorities.

DINWIDDIE, J. W.—August 14, 1924, at Pana, Ill., by local authorities, held at city prison.

DITTMER, JOHN DELOS (T. N.)—alias John Dittmer, alias Harry Anderson, August 17, 1924, at Buffalo, N. Y., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

DOUGLAS, MRS. DORO—August 13, 1924, at Boise, Idaho, by local authorities, held at county jail.

DUNLAP, HARRY—at Detroit, Mich., returned to Los Angeles, Cal., held at city prison.

ELLISON, SAM—July 28, 1924, at Sacramento, Cal., by local authorities, held at county jail.

ENDSLEY, H. E.—August 13, 1924, at Boise, Idaho, by local authorities, held at county jail.

EVINGER, PAUL—at Pawhuska, Okla., by local authorities, held at county jail.

FARGO, C. W.—August 13, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

FLEMING, AL—August, 19, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., by local authorities, held at city prison.

GLEN, C. C.—August 7, 1924, at Miami, Okla., by local authorities, held at county jail.

GRAY, CHARLES M.—July 31, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

GRIFFIN, THOMAS—August 12, 1924, at San Francisco, Cal., by local authorities, returned to Fresno.

HALPEK, GEORGE P.—August 16, 1924, at Los Angeles, Cal., by local authorities, held at city prison.

HOLLAND, BUSTER—at Shidler, Okla., by local authorities.

HUTSON, HELEN—at Detroit, Mich., by local authorities, held at city prison.

JACKSON, D. W.—August 7, 1924, at Miami, Okla., by local authorities, held at county jail.

JONES, ERNEST—alias "Cotton," August 5, 1924, through efforts of our detective agents, held at county jail.

KNIGHT, GUY—July 31, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., by local authorities, held at city prison.

LA MONTE, PETER—at Detroit, Mich., by local authorities, held at city prison.

MURFF, L. A., JR.—August 30, 1924, at Dallas, Texas, by local authorities, held at county jail.

NELSON, CLYDE—August 24, 1924, at El Dorado, Kan., by local authorities, held at county jail.

O'DAY, "RED"—August 7, 1924, at Miami, Okla., by local authorities, held at county jail.

ROBESKE, WILLIAM—at Detroit, Mich., by local authorities, held at city prison.

SHONQUETTE, ED—at Tulsa, Okla., by local authorities, cooperating with our detective agents, held at county jail.

SLAYDEN, W. H.—August 28, 1924, at East St. Louis, Ill., by local authorities, through information supplied by our detective agents, held at county jail.

TAYLOR, A. S.—August 21, 1924, at Buffalo, N. Y., through efforts of our detective agents, held at county jail.

Removed

Forgers, etc.

ALLEN, JAMES—Released, restitution effected.

ALLEN, R. G.—Released, insufficient evidence.

ANTRIM, MRS. EARL—Released.

ARON, EARL J.—Case dismissed.

AUSTIN, J. D.—4 years, Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kan.

BARRINGTON, WM. F.—Released, restitution effected.

BROOKS, J. G.—Released.

BUNCH, ELDRIDGE—1 year, County Road, Waynesboro, Miss.

COLLINS, THOBURN—Released, restitution effected.

COULEY, TRAVIS—2 years, Kentucky State Penitentiary, Frankfort, Ky.

DA COSTA, DON—5 years, Probation.

FLETCHER, C. R.—2 years, Kentucky State Penitentiary, Frankfort, Ky.

HANNAN, JOHN—5 years, State Reformatory, Monroe, Wash.

HANSEN, ANDREW—Paroled.

HARRIS, ALAMEDA—Released.

INGRAM, CHAS. A.—60 days, County Jail, Richmond, Va.

JENKINS, LEROY—1 to 3 years, New Jersey State Penitentiary, Trenton, N. J.

KING, MARY—3 months, City Prison, New York, N. Y.

KLINEHART, FRED—Released, no prosecution.

KOETZLE, EDW. W.—1 year, State Prison, Jackson, Mich.

LEDELL, J. W.—1 to 14 years, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

LEE, WILLIE—1 to 14 years, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

LEWIS, NORMAN—Forfeited Bond.

LOCKE, H. A.—1 to 14 years, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

MANDARICH, MARY—Released.

McCONE, BERNARD—Released, restitution effected.

MILLER, JOHN H.—3 years Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio.

MORELAND, FRED W.—2 years, Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio.

MURPHY, REV. E. P.—Released, restitution effected.

PAINTER, JENNIE—6 to 14 years, State Prison, Jackson, Mich.

PHIPPS, MRS. F. L.—Released, no prosecution.

PRENTICE, GEORGE M.—2 years, Maryland House of Correction, Baltimore, Md.

PUTNAM, K. E.—Released.

RICHARDSON, LAWRENCE—2 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

ROBERTSON, CHARLES—Released.

RULE, RALPH B.—3 years, Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga.

SCHUSTER, H. G.—2 years, Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio.

SEFMAN, JOSEPH—Probation.

SHAWYER, JIM—Released.

SHERIDAN, PAUL D.—1 to 14 years, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

SMITH, HOBART J.—Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio.

SOLOMON, JOHN E.—2 years, Probation.

STERNBERG, NORA A.—Released, restitution effected.

STURM, MARGARET—Released, no prosecution.

VAN UNGER, J. H.—Released, no prosecution.

WILLIAMS, GEORGE—4 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

WILSON, MRS. EMMA A.—Released.

WILSON, HERBERT C.—Released.

WIMBERLY, FRED H.—Forfeited Bond.

Burglars

ARNOLD, GEORGE—Escaped.

BOLDSKY, TOM—5 years, Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kan.

CLINE, FRED—Escaped.

DEIGHTON, ELTON V.—Probation.

JENKINS, EDDIE—Released, no prosecution.

LANGE, ARTHUR—Electrocuted.

MONOHAN, AGNES—Released.

RICHMOND, HERMAN—Escaped.

Holdup Robbers

BURKE, RICHARD—Dead.

BURNS, JAMES T.—Life sentence, Iowa State Penitentiary, Folsom, Iowa.

CAMPEAU, HARVEY—15 years, State Penitentiary, Richmond, Va.

CAVERTY, JAMES—Case dismissed.

DINWIDDIE, J. W.—10 years, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill.

FISHER, EDWARD—4 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

FOLSOM, A. J.—5 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

GRAY, JAMES—Case dismissed.

HAYDEN, W. E.—1 year to life, California State Prison, San Quentin, Cal.

McGRAY, WM. H.—Case dismissed.

OLDFIELD, CHARLES—Life, State Penitentiary, Folsom, Iowa.

PARMENTYE, FRED—Dead.

SHEMWELL, REX—25 years, Kansas State Penitentiary, Lansing, Kansas.

TRIMBLE, HERBERT—5 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

Statistics of the Protective Department

	Awaiting trial August 31, 1923	Arrested in Sept., 1924	Convicted	Discharged or acquitted	Fugitive, escape, insane or died	Awaiting trial
Forgers, etc.....	206	51	26	21	2	208
Burglars.....	62	5	3	2	3	59
Holdup robbers.....	83	38	9	3	2	107
Sneak thieves.....
Total.....	351	94	38	26	7	374

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American Bankers Association Journal

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON.—500 Southern Building.
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LOUISIANA, NEW ORLEANS.—930-932 New Hibernia Bank Building.
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MASSACHUSETTS, BOSTON.—200 Devonshire Street.
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MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS.—McKnight Building.
MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY.—Ridge Arcade Building.
MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS.—Railway Exchange Building.
NEW YORK, BUFFALO.—D. S. Morgan Building.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—165 Broadway.
OHIO, CINCINNATI.—1012 Keiths Theatre Building.

OHIO, CLEVELAND.—Sweetland Building.
OKLAHOMA, OKLAHOMA CITY.—908 Colcord Building.
OREGON, PORTLAND.—Yeon Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.—Widener Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PITTSBURGH.—1108 Diamond Bank Building.
TENNESSEE, MEMPHIS.—Bank of Commerce and Trust Building.
TEXAS, DALLAS.—207 Mercantile Bank Building.
TEXAS, HOUSTON.—Union National Bank Building.
TEXAS, SAN ANTONIO.—Gunter Building.
UTAH, SALT LAKE CITY.—301-302 Tribune Building.
VIRGINIA, RICHMOND.—Virginia Railway and Power Building.
WASHINGTON, SEATTLE.—L. C. Smith Building.
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CANADA, VANCOUVER.—605 Vancouver Block.

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Counterfeit Stocks and Bonds

ATENTION is called to the operations of several swindlers who have been counterfeiting certificates of different well known stock issues. The operations of this clique extend from coast to coast. Therefore, we caution our members to use extreme care in accepting certificates as collateral for loans.

Recently a Cleveland, Ohio, stock broker was requested to sell at the prevailing market price ninety shares of stock registered in the name of Herman K. Sheehan. This stock was disposed of over the New York Stock Exchange. After the transaction took place the operator was given a check by the stock broker, who several days later received information to the effect that the certificates in question were counterfeit.

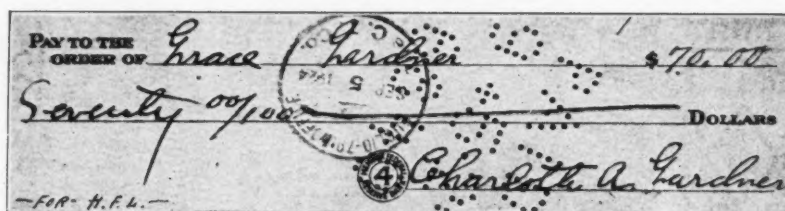
Too much care cannot be exercised in examining any certificates, both for evidence as to whether or not they are counterfeited or raised, when they are presented to banks.

The operations of the swindlers, who counterfeit stocks and bonds of the most common type, are not confined to any one section. On the Pacific Coast, in New York and in the middle west, these operators have been successful in tendering these spurious certificates of stock issues and obtaining bank loans on them. Inasmuch as the face of the securities run into considerable amounts, it is of the utmost importance that banks assure themselves that the stocks and bonds are genuine.

Women Active as Mail Thieves

STEALING from the mail is becoming so much of a common practice among the crooks that more women have adopted this profession. One in particular has become exceedingly annoying by following this method.

After pilfering the contents of a mail box she will assort the mail and discard all letters stolen except those containing checks. These checks are held and later used to serve as models for her forgeries. The work is clever and so far has never been questioned by a paying teller. This woman claims to be a relative of the maker, and in each instance uses the same surname as the depositor. In this way, and by the



Grace Gardner
1930. E. 81 st

This check, it will be noted, was made out to a person, ostensibly a relative of the operator. Note carefully how she indicated the purpose for which the check had been drawn

One of the mail theft exhibits

peculiar manner in which she makes the figures appearing on her checks, her work

is easily recognized.

The check reproduced here is an excellent example of the above facts.

This operator has a woman accomplice to aid in disposing of the forgeries. They are described as follows: One is about 17 years of age, 5 feet 4 inches tall, weighs 100 pounds, slender build, light complexion, blonde hair. The other is about 23 years of age, 5 feet

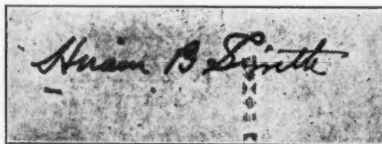
3 inches tall, weighs 110 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, dark hair, has round full face and is attractive in appearance.

Defrauding Banks by Raising Drafts

A CLEVER operator is raising bank drafts by a new and unique scheme. He visits the bank and secures the confidence of the teller by opening a seemingly legitimate account. After a few weeks of straight transactions he secures a bank draft payable to his own order for a few cents less than \$10.

In his trunk he carries a small printing outfit by means of which he is able to reproduce the draft so perfectly that in some cases it is difficult to distinguish it from the original. He also uses several of the standard makes of check protectors in filling out the new draft for a sum nearly

a thousand dollars more than the original check. His method then is to go to the city on which the draft was drawn in order to secure cash upon it.



Draft 73587, City Savings and Trust Company of Alliance, was cashed by a New York City bank, and draft 119858 of the

Jackson State Bank was cashed by the First National Bank at Sioux City, Iowa. Accounts are opened with legitimate checks or cash, and the "raised" bank drafts are later presented with the request that part of it be added to his account and the balance given him in cash. After waiting until the teller, who has given him the cash, has gone to lunch, he returns to another teller and requests a large portion of his balance.

Specimens of the handwriting used and his description, given by three people, follow: 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, 170 pounds, dark complexion, dark hair, smooth face, erect build, neat dresser.

Hotels Victimized

CHECKS purported to be issued by the Postum Cereal Company, Inc., and drawn on the Central National Bank, Battle Creek, Mich., are being circulated throughout the State of California by an operator who is using numerous aliases. These

checks are being returned marked "forgery." They are printed on cheap pink safety paper.

The name of the company appears in the upper left corner of the check, but the "Inc." is omitted. Below this is "Advertising Dept." The checks bear two signatures. Some of the names used by this criminal are Bruce Gregg, Thos. R.

Spicer, F. L. Haynes, Robert L. MacLaughlin, C. S. Wentworth, J. B. Elliott, C. L. Botsworth, Thos. H. Hudson, J. E. Locks. He has only operated against hotels but may transfer his actions to banks, and members are therefore cautioned to be on the alert for his appearance.

Harkins Again! In West Virginia

HARKINS has appeared again in the banking world, making a haul in West Virginia by one of his check forgeries.

Despite numerous warnings broadcast in this JOURNAL and through other media, a member bank in West Virginia suffered a loss. Harkins followed the same method

operation appeared in the September, 1924, JOURNAL Supplement on page 2. This called particular attention to the indorsement appearing on his checks, with the characteristic "O.K." of the depositor. While Harkins is an exceedingly clever forger in his reproductions of the signatures of the depositors, it will be noted that his

The similarity in the signatures that Harkins has signed on these three checks is striking, for general characteristics

F. A. Haller
Signature O.K.
H. B. Davis

Harkins is shown on the right in a pleasant mood and gives quite a dapper appearance. This is one of his best likenesses

R. R. Powers
O.K.
J. E. Halsey

W. M. Mason
O.K.
Ernest X. Gure & Co.



of procedure, which has been so frequently described of presenting a check with an identification indorsement on it. Impressed by the apparent genuine signature of the depositor, the bank paid over the face of the check to Harkins. Later it was found that the check was a forgery.

A complete outline of his method of

handwriting has the same general characteristics. An examination of the signatures "F. A. Haller," "G. R. Powers" and "W. M. Mason," as reproduced here, show this clearly.

Harkins is described as being about 38 years old, 6 feet tall, 175 pounds, well built; ruddy complexion, brown hair, blue eyes

and smooth shaven. The photograph, which is presented herewith, shows him in one of his jovial moods.

Should any banker recognize him, detain him, and immediately notify this association or the nearest office of our detective agents by wire. Warrants for his arrest are in existence.

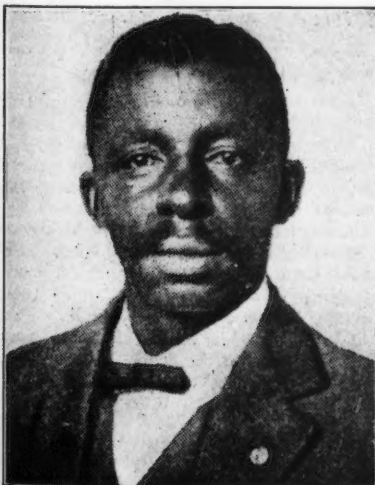
The Dusky Preacher Renews Forgeries

THE colored preacher THEODORE HAWKINS has cast aside his religious garments and assumed the role of porter to aid him in passing bogus checks. Under

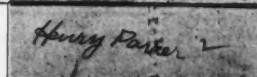
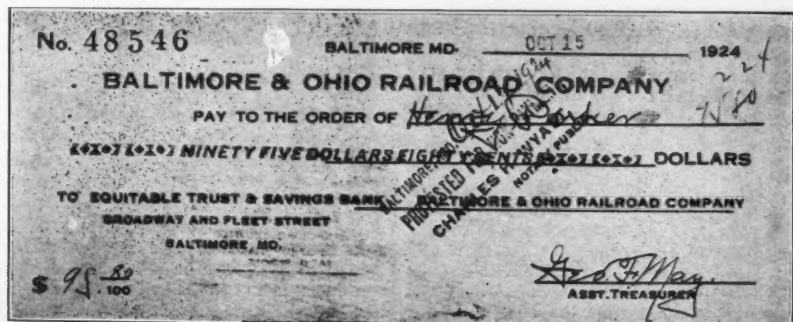
the name of Harry Parker he has defrauded a number of banks by the use of bogus pay checks of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. He will enter a bank and open an account with a cash deposit of \$5, giving his occupation as porter. He will return in a day or so and present a pay check requesting that \$10 be credited to his account

and the balance be paid in cash. The request is usually granted.

Hawkins has been positively identified as Parker. His latest operation was in Jersey City, N. J. He has also used bogus pay checks of the Pullman Company and the Illinois Central Railroad Company. He has been arrested several times and articles



Theodore Hawkins, who affects the rôle of a minister to aid him in his forgeries



A check drawn on the railroad, which Hawkins was successful in cashing

relative to these operations appear in the JOURNAL Supplements for June, 1918, pages 188-190, and February, 1920, pages 138 and 143. Hawkins is described as follows: 48 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, 135 to 140 pounds, medium build, black complexion, black and kinky hair, neatly trimmed Charlie Chaplin mustache, gold rimmed spectacles.

A specimen of his writing is reproduced on the preceding page.

Impostor Working

AN impostor using the name of J. E. CORBIN, a former employee of the William J. Burns International Detective Agency, Inc., is soliciting subscribers to the Agency's Crime Prevention Service.

This impostor presents credentials purporting to be issued by the agency, and in this manner secures checks from subscribers, which he later presents to banks after forging the indorsement thereon.

Corbin, or a man using this name, is not connected with the Burns Agency. Therefore all members are requested to watch for this operator and immediately notify our agents' nearest office should be put in his appearance in your vicinity.

Stolen Treasury Note

A DEPOSITOR of a member bank in Allentown, Pa., reports having had stolen from his person a "United States Treasury 4% per cent note, Series B, due March 15, 1927, No. 29726. Any information concerning this note will be appreciated.

Warning!

J. M. ACKERMAN. A worthless check drawn on the Commonwealth Trust Co., Harrisburg, Pa., was reported by a New York City member bank as being cashed by a depositor. Ackerman ordered several rugs from the merchant and offered the check in payment. He represented himself as from Middletown, Pa.

EUGENE T. ALTHAUS called at a member bank in Fayetteville, Tex., and induced them to cash a check drawn on the Bank of Fredericksburg, Tex. This check was returned at a later date as bogus. Althaus previously operated in Texas in 1922, using bogus drafts in small amounts. In each instance the operator uses the same name. Members are cautioned to watch for checks bearing the signature reproduced below.

Eugene T. Althaus

CHARLES ANDERSON. A book of checks was stolen from the office of a contractor in San Francisco, Cal., and the thief is now disposing of them among merchants. These checks bear a forged signature, and several were cashed by a local member

bank. Some of the names used by the operator are George Smith, Ed. Turner, John Lewis and Frank Thompson. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

Charles Anderson
Ed Turner

H. F. BAILEY. A party using this name defrauded a Cincinnati, Ohio, member bank by securing cash on several bonafide checks to which he forged the payee's indorsement. He was introduced to the bank as Bailey by a local auto dealer and therefore experienced no difficulty in having them cashed. He is believed to be in Cincinnati or vicinity at present. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.

H. F. Bailey
H. F. Bailey

FRANKLIN G. BROWN, alias William C. Cobb, opened an account with a draft drawn on the Guaranty Trust Co., New York City, which was accepted for collection only. He returned later to deposit another draft drawn on the National City Bank of New York, but no funds were advanced. They were signed Franklin G. Brown. It later developed that both drafts were worthless. Brown is described as being 40 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs 200 pounds, dark complexion, brown hair, wears glasses, three lower teeth badly decayed.

GEORGE B. CARUTHERS. A series of forged checks have been issued by a party using this alias and cashed among hotels and merchants in Chicago, Ill. These checks were later paid by a local member bank. Caruthers is described as being 27 years of age, 5 feet 4 to 5 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, stocky build, dark complexion, black curly hair, brown eyes, wears pinch nose glasses at times. His writing is reproduced herewith.

George B. Caruthers
George B. Caruthers

O. W. COWLEY, after opening an account at a member bank in Logan, Utah, cashed several small checks so as to gain the confidence of the teller and also reported that he was a student of the Utah Agricultural College. Later Cowley returned to deposit a check drawn on a distant bank, but made no withdrawals. He then called at a local jeweler, purchased a ring and tendered

his check in payment, which was later cashed by our member. Cowley defrauded other merchants in a similar manner. Members are cautioned to watch for this individual. He is described as being 25 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, several gold teeth on one side of mouth, injury to left wrist, slow in speech.

CHARLES E. DAY returned to Hartford, Conn., after spending several years in the West, and called at the Riverside Trust Co., where he is known. He opened an account and after securing a check book immediately started passing checks which are worthless, and members are advised not to cash them. Day was last heard of from Malden, Mass.

HARRY DUBIN, using such aliases as Ralph E. Logan, Frank Peck, Robert Littleton, Fred West and William Hartman, is operating in Philadelphia, Pa., with forged checks drawn on a local member bank. The operator is described as being 21 years of age, 5 feet 2 inches tall, weighs 110 pounds, small build, medium complexion, smooth shaven. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below to aid members in detecting his work.

Harry Dubin
Ralph E. Logan
William Hartman

THOS. H. ENNIS. Checks of the Health-Tone Sales Co., signed R. S. Logan, Mgr., and drawn on the Mechanics National Bank of Trenton, N. J., are being floated in the South by a party using this alias. They are bogus throughout.

Thos. H. Ennis
R. S. Logan

ALBERT F. HEIDEMAN, formerly employed by a depositor of a Chicago, Ill., member bank, secured his employer's signature, which he forged to several checks. These checks were presented to local merchants and later cashed by our member. Heideman is described as 35 to 37 years of age, 5 feet 6 to 8 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, slender build, chestnut brown hair, inclined to be curly, sharp nose, smooth shaven. A facsimile of his signature is shown below.

A. F. Heideman

DAN J. HUMPHREY and a depositor of a member bank in Sherman, Cal., were employed by the same company. Humphrey received a check from his co-worker, which he later used as a sample for a forgery. Both the forged and genuine check were cashed by a member bank in Los Angeles, Cal., where the operator carried a small account. Humphrey is described as 33 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, medium build, dark complexion, black hair, neat dresser, usually wore gray suit. A specimen of his handwriting is reproduced below.

Dan J. Humphrey

E. B. KENNEDY, alias William Knight, and HELEN KENNEDY, alias Bessie Marie Knight, are being sought on charges of fleecing merchants in Long Beach, Cal., by the use of worthless checks. They usually call on a local merchant and together select some article of jewelry. The woman will tender a check in payment, whereupon the husband advises her that it will be returned as insufficient until he deposits a draft, which he produces. The merchant usually accepts the check on the strength of the draft. They claim to have a six months' old baby, now being treated by a local chiropractor. They have operated in many California cities. There being a possibility of their attempting to defraud a bank, we are cautioning all members to be on the alert for these parties, who are described as follows: The husband is about 35 years of age, 5 feet 7½ inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, swarthy complexion, dark hair, graying, light brown eyes, smooth shaven. The wife is 28 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, olive complexion, black hair, brown eyes. A specimen of the handwriting of Mrs. E. B. Kennedy is being reproduced below.

Mrs E B Kennedy

WALTER KUNTZ, alias J. Culver. The Morristown Trust Co., Morristown, N. J., reports receiving a bogus certified check bearing these names from San Francisco, Cal. A sample of this man's writing is shown below.

*Jay Culver
Walter Kuntz*

H. F. LAMAREE is passing checks drawn on the First National Bank, Portland, Ore., among merchants in the vicinity

of Gold Hill and Portland, Ore. These checks are bogus and members are advised not to accept them. Lamaree is described as about 30 years of age and dark complexion.

Bogus Cashier's Checks

JAMES LANSING has had printed a number of cashier's checks of the First National Bank, Cheboygan, Mich., which he is now disposing of among banks, hotels and merchants throughout the country. This bank does not issue cashier's checks, and members should be guided accordingly. In each instance the check is made payable to Lansing.

*John White
James Lansing
J. Ellis*

CARL LYNN, claiming to represent a Chicago piano company, made the acquaintance of a jeweler at a boarding house in Cameron, Mo. After cultivating the friendship, Lynn had the jeweler order out several diamonds and finally selected one to be mounted. He returned for the ring and presented a check drawn on a local member bank in payment. The jeweler then requested that he be permitted to call the bank on which it was drawn to ascertain if it would be paid. To this the operator objected, advising that he was known at the bank and if he phoned the central office force would know what he paid for the ring, but if it was really necessary he would leave the ring and call for it the following day, although he promised a young lady the ring for that evening. The jeweler then permitted Lynn to take the ring. He was later informed the check was bogus. Lynn is described as 5 feet 7 to 8 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, dark complexion, squinty eyes, wore brown velour hat.

PERLIE MANNING and J. W. DINS-MOOR. These men, who are traveling about in a Ford touring car, recently defrauded a member bank in Concord, N. H., by cashing checks bearing the forged signature of a depositor. The checks were presented to a bank in Kennebunk, Me. These men are described as follows: One is 40 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 180 pounds, dark hair. The other is 22 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, wore dark clothes, appearance of working man. Members are requested to be on the alert for these criminals.

P. J. McDONNELL caused a loss to a member bank in Old Appleton, Miss., through the cashing of a forged check.

McDonnell is described as 36 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 175 to 180 pounds, smooth shaven, well dressed. A warrant for his arrest is held by the Old Appleton authorities. Members will advise immediately in the event the operator is located.

J. H. McRAE, employed as superintendent for a land company in Porterville, Cal., was authorized to sign their checks to be given to the foremen of their various camps. McRae issued a check payable to one of the foremen but failed to deliver it. He forged the indorsement thereon and secured the cash. A felony warrant has been issued for his arrest. The operator recently purchased a Jewett car and is now en route to Oregon.

HARVEY F. MEYER, known also under the names R. Shelton, W. M. Perry, J. Shelton and J. S. Edward, stole a page of blank checks from his employer's check book. He is now disposing of these checks and succeeded in defrauding a Los Angeles, Cal., member bank. The operator is described as being 25 years of age, 5 feet 4 to 5 inches tall, weighs 130 pounds, medium complexion, dark hair and smooth shaven. His handwriting is reproduced below.

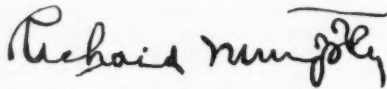
*Harvey F Meyer
Boyd Hotel
241 Boyd St*

SAMUEL MEYERS. A man using this name is operating with bogus certified checks drawn on the Bayonne National Bank, Bayonne, N. J. Thus far merchants have been the victims, a purchase of ladies' cloaks having been made, the goods taken away in a taxicab and the certified check tendered in payment; nevertheless, we suggest that members be on the alert for checks of this description. The operator is described as being 43 years of age, 5 feet 3 inches tall, 140 pounds, dark eyes, dark hair, Jewish features; wore brown suit and soft hat.

JOHN R. MULLER, known to a member bank in Hartford, Conn., through his position as elevator operator in their building, presented a check drawn by the Northwestern Cafeteria, Detroit, Mich., on the Northwestern State Bank, Detroit, Mich., signed Frank G. Andrews and counter-signed Harry E. Smyth, and it was immediately paid. This check later proved to be bogus. Muller is described as being 5 feet 6 inches tall, slight build, light complexion, light hair, sharp features.

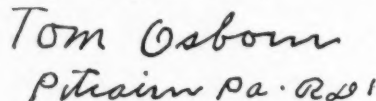
RICHARD MURPHY, well known in Albany, N. Y., through his criminal activi-

ties, is again operating with worthless checks. These checks are drawn on the New York State National Bank, Albany, N. Y. Murphy has been previously arrested for issuing worthless checks, and jail seems the safest place for him. Members are requested to be on the alert for this criminal. A specimen of his handwriting is shown below.

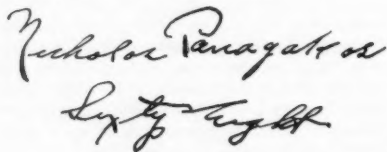


W. S. NEWCOMB. Member banks are cautioned against accepting checks issued by this party which are drawn on the Cayuga County National Bank, Auburn, N. Y. A member bank in Athol, Mass., reports cashing one of these checks, which was returned as worthless. Newcomb is well acquainted in Auburn. He also operated in Boston, Mass., and New York City.

TOM OSBORN started an account with a member bank in Pitcairn, Pa., making a cash deposit. Later he deposited a check to his credit and the following day presented another check for payment and secured the cash. Both checks were returned as forged. Osborn is described as 45 to 50 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 145 to 150 pounds, medium build, fair complexion, sandy gray beard. A facsimile of his signature appears below.



NICHOLAS PANAGAKOS forged the name of a relative to several checks, which he succeeded in cashing. These checks are being cashed in New York City. Panagakos is an ex-convict, having served in Sing Sing Prison. The operator is described as 35 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 140 pounds, stocky build, dark complexion, black hair, brown eyes, Greek. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.



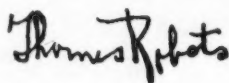
JESSE F. POWERS opened an account at a member bank in Corona, N. Y., giving as reference one of its stockholders. He deposited three checks drawn on distant banks, two of which were recognized as forgeries. The operator received part of the cash on the other. It is possible that Powers, who received a check book from the Corona bank, will attempt to dispose of them. Members are requested to be on the alert for him.

J. M. RAYWOOD caused a member bank in Crowley, La., a loss when he issued a draft drawn on Gordon & Sewall,

Houston, Tex. They returned the draft, claiming Raywood was unknown to them. The operator gave his address as 1610 Rusk Ave., Houston. Raywood, who is traveling in a Ford touring car, accompanied by his wife, is described as 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 175 pounds, dark hair and brown eyes.

TESSIER REEDER is operating throughout the Southern States with checks drawn on the Merchants Trust Co., Chester, Pa. Reeder secured the check book when he opened a small account, which has since been closed.

THOMAS ROBERTS. An individual using this alias intercepted a check intended for another party. He forged the indorsement thereon and cashed it at a member bank in Gloucester, Mass. A specimen of the operator's signature is shown below.



ROBERT R. ROSS, alias J. Frank Ram-bow. Checks bearing these names are being received by the Industrial Trust Co., Wilmington, Del., from Philadelphia, Pa., and vicinity. This bank carries no such accounts and is returning all checks so marked.

S. G. SALADES. A member bank in New York City reports a loss through the operations of a party using this alias. He presented a check drawn on the Chelsea Exchange Bank, New York City, signed Anthony Schwartz, to the teller, but was referred to an official for an O.K. He then approached the official and gave him the "rush act," reciting the story of having to meet his wife and make a train, with the result that he secured the official's O.K. The check was later returned as worthless.

E. R. SAMPLE, who enjoyed an excellent reputation in Albany, N. Y., through his connections with W. H. Sample & Sons of that city, recently sold his interests to his brother and is now without funds, having gambled his money on the races. He is now taking advantage of his previous good record by persuading friends in various cities to cash worthless checks drawn on the Albany Trust Company. He was recently reported as having operated in Pittsburgh, Pa.

ROBERT SEARS. Several forged checks, payable to this party, were paid by a member bank in Auburn, W. Va., when received through the clearings from a bank in Grantsville, W. Va. Sears claimed he received the checks as payment for a Hereford bull and cattle purchased from him by the drawer of the checks, who is well known in this vicinity as a cattle buyer. Sears' story was believed and he was immediately given the money.

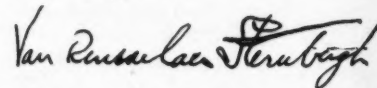
ARCHIE SIMPSON is reported to our detective agents' Atlanta representatives as having defrauded a member bank in Atlanta by use of a check on which he altered the payee's name. Simpson, employed by a local depositor, interested him in buying a horse from another farmer. The employer gave Simpson a check to be delivered in payment, but Simpson erased the name of payee and inserted his own. Since this affair the operator went to Birmingham, Ala., where he is known to have stolen an automobile. Members are requested to watch for him.

JOHN R. SMITH signing checks Gardner Sales Co., Topeka, Kan., Lud Haidisley, Secretary and Manager, is cashing them in various towns in Kansas and Missouri. Smith was formerly employed in Kansas City, Kan., and his family still reside in that city. The operator is described as 36 years of age, weighs 180 pounds, stocky build, ruddy complexion, dark hair, quite gray, gray eyes.

C. M. SORROW. A member bank in Holcomb, Kan., paid a cashier's check presumably issued by the Trinity County Bank, Weaverville, Cal., which was presented by a party using this alias. The check was returned as a forgery. Sorrow is described as being 45 years of age, weighs 175 pounds, tanned complexion, wore glasses. Members will kindly notify this association immediately should he attempt to pass similar checks.

ALBERT STEIN made a small cash deposit at a member bank in Chicago, Ill., and made a subsequent deposit of a check for a large amount drawn on another Chicago bank. He withdrew almost all the cash on deposit. This was followed by other deposits and withdrawals until five checks were credited to his account. These checks were later returned as bogus. Stein, using the alias Harry Stone, defrauded other banks in a similar manner. Members are again cautioned against paying out on uncollected items.

VAN RENSSLAER STERNBERGH, alias Van R. H. Sternbergh, is operating in Los Angeles, Cal., with worthless checks. He defrauded a member bank in Los Angeles, also several hotels in that vicinity. Sternbergh was previously arrested in San Francisco, Cal., on a similar charge. The operator is described as 28 years of age, 5 feet, 11 inches tall, weighs 170 pounds, dark chestnut hair, brown eyes, nativity New York. A facsimile of his handwriting is reproduced below.



Robbed by New Friend

BEN F. STOWE, representing himself as a salesman for the Indian Bead Company, Kansas City, Mo., called on a merchant in Liberal, Kan., where he en-

deavored to cash a check. Stowe's story is that: traveling from Denver, and, while en route, he engaged in conversation with a stranger who later stole his traveling bag and samples of beaded handbags while he was asleep. After hearing this story the merchant paid the check, which was returned as worthless. The check is against the account of the Indian Bead Company, drawn on the First National Bank, Kansas City, Mo., signed Henry L. Stacy, president.

Stowe is about 28 to 30 years of age, height 6 feet 1 inch, weighs 180 pounds, well built, medium complexion, light brown hair, brown eyes, scar over left eye to bridge of nose.

HARRY ULRICH. A young man using this name and described as about 20 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, stocky build, medium complexion, brown hair, is masquerading as a depositor of a member bank in Spokane, Wash., and presenting checks among local merchants. These checks are being returned by the original depositor as forgeries. To aid members in recognizing the forged checks we are reproducing below a specimen of the operator's writing.

Harry Ulrich
1100 - 5th St.

PHILLIP L. VON DOSSER, alias F. G. Pearce, alias C. B. Kornwell, called at a member bank in Dallas, Tex., and presented a bogus check to be credited to the account of one of their depositors, stating that he was requested to do so. Later he returned with a check bearing the forged signature of their customer and our member paid out the money. The deception was discovered some time later. Von Doser is described as 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, short and stocky build, light brown hair, brown eyes.

L. G. WAITE. A party using this alias caused a loss to a Washington, D. C., member bank by presenting a check to which he forged the signature of a depositor. The monthly statement and cancelled vouchers mailed to their depositor were intercepted by the operator, who used them as the model for the forgery. Waite is described as being 27 to 28 years of age, 5 feet 9 to 10 inches tall, slender build, dark hair.

C. C. WHITE is circulating bogus checks of the Western Oil Corporation in Los Angeles, Cal. These checks are drawn on the Security State Bank, Los Angeles, and signed C. O. Atheison. Members are cautioned against accepting these checks.

GROSVENOR B. WHITE was given a check by a depositor of a member bank in Painesville, Ohio, which he used as a model for other checks which he forged. The case was reported to our detective agents' Cleveland representatives. White

was apprehended at Ironton, Ohio, and returned to Cincinnati, Ohio. He was later released on bond, but failed to appear for trial. White is still believed to be in that vicinity and members are requested to watch for him. He is described as 34 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, medium stout build, smooth shaven, neat and flashy dresser, devotee of the race track.

WARREN C. WILLIAMS, alias S. F. Wilson. These names appear on several forged checks which have been recently stolen from a depositor of a San Francisco, Cal., member bank. These checks are issued in small amounts.

H. M. WRIGHT, alias Clarence D. Wayne. A party using this name issued a check to a merchant in Kansas City, Mo., which was later paid by a member bank. This check was returned by their depositor as a forgery. The operator is described as being 25 to 30 years of age, 5 feet 8 to 10 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, sandy hair, very talkative.

EDWIN J. STAFFORD, acquainted with the president of a Detroit member bank, received a check from him. Stafford evidently retained a copy of his friend's signature, for recently he tendered a check bearing this signature to a local coal dealer in payment of a bill. Stafford is described as being 35 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 155 pounds, dark complexion, dark brown hair, blue eyes, dissipated looking.

Woman Cashes Checks

A YOUNG woman, described as about twenty years of age, 5 feet tall, weight 100 pounds, blond bobbed hair, blue eyes, rather vivacious, with particularly active eyes, secured a pocket check book of the Fallkill National Bank, Poughkeepsie, N. Y., and is cashing the checks in the vicinity of Montclair, N. J. To these checks she signs the names of respectable citizens of Wappingers Falls, N. Y., and neighboring towns.

Liberty Bonds Stolen

THE following Liberty Bonds were reported as having been stolen in the robbery of the Truesdale Savings Bank, Truesdale, Iowa, on October 16, 1924:

THIRD LIBERTY LOAN

4581055	4 1/4	\$100.00
2598399	4 1/4	50.00
3421903	4 1/4	100.00
4705053	4 1/4	100.00
3477422	4 1/4	100.00
3594996	4 1/4	100.00
3594997	4 1/4	100.00
3594998	4 1/4	100.00

FIRST CONVERTED

A 00862931	\$50.00
B 00898987	100.00
A 00898986	100.00
C 00224773	100.00
D 00224774	100.00
E 00224775	100.00

FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN

D 05257784	\$100.00
C 06103933	50.00
B 04702142	50.00
J 03712509	50.00
A 03820901	50.00
K 06103790	50.00
H 05374708	50.00
O 03657321	50.00
B 06105262	50.00
A 03328361	50.00
10869009	100.00

Arrested

Forgers

BOYER, C. W.—October 6, at Rawlins, Wyo., held at the county jail.

BRUNDAGE, H. A.—October 1, at Los Angeles, held at the city jail.

BUSING, BERNARD—September 16, at New York, held at the city jail.

CHAREST, EDWARD—March 5, at Boston, held at the city jail.

CONWAY, EARL—September 9, at Chicago, held at the city jail.

BEDIC, FRANK J.—August 26, at Chicago, held at the city jail.

DOUGLAS, FRANK.—Re-arrested, Payette, Idaho, held at the county jail.

DUNING, GEORGE E.—Alias Fred Marsden (T. N.), alias George E. Martin, at San Francisco.

EDWARDS, VAL—September 30, at Des Moines, Iowa, held at the city jail.

GARDNER, M. J. (female)—September 22, at San Francisco, held at the county jail.

GLASENER, HAROLD—Alias Earl R. Burchette, alias W. A. Kennedy, at Des Moines, Iowa, held at the city jail.

GLEMBY, LOUIS—Alias Louis Hornstein, October 7, at New York, held at the city jail.

GOETZ, E. R.—alias George Raymond Goetz (T. N.), September 13, held at the city jail.

GOMEY, LOUIS and Wife **BESSIE**—September 29, at Detroit, held at the city jail.

GORDON, ERNEST—alias Earl Freeman Lathrop (T. N.), September 25, at Portland, Ore., held at the city jail.

GRAY, HARRY—alias Louis L. Ross, June 25, at Los Angeles, held at the county jail.

HUBBARD, FRANK W.—September 16, at Hackensack, N. J., held at the county jail.

KALLAS, J.—In South Carolina.

KATZ, MORRIS—September 20, at Boston, held at the city jail.

KLINE, EDWARD MARTIN—alias A. E. McKee, alias Edward Moor, September 26, at Oklahoma City, held at the city jail.

LAMB, LESTER—October 3, at Des Moines, Iowa, held at the county jail.

LEE, W. M.—August 19, at Los Angeles, returned to San Diego, Cal.

LING, ROMA—at Louisville, Ky., to be returned to Munsfordville for trial.

MARTIN, HOWARD O.—alias W. H. Emery, alias Robert Kert, September 30, at New York, held at the city jail.

MURCH, A. J.—alias S. V. Cosgrove, at Toledo, Ohio, held at the county jail.

MURPHY, JAMES P.—August 15, at Chicago, returned to Westfield, N. Y.

OWSLEY, RUTH S. (Colored)—July 10, at Chicago, held at the city prison.
 PAYNE, JULIA—at San Francisco, returned to Los Angeles.
 PERRELLA, LEO W.—alias Frank Depanno, October 2, at Phelps, N. Y. (surrendered), held at the county jail.
 PIERCE, CALVIN—September 9, at Chicago, held at the city jail.
 ROBERTS, MRS. JOHN—alias Mrs. John Ross, at Birmingham, Ala.
 SALYARDS, EMERY—September 6, at Spokane, held at the city jail.
 SMITH, GEORGE—at Lancaster, Penn., held at the county jail.
 STEGMANN, FRED—October 4, at New York City, held at the city jail.
 STURGES, SAM M.—at Oakland, Cal., held at the county jail.
 THOMPSON, MRS. A. G.—September 27, at Los Angeles, held at the city jail.
 WARREN, GEORGE F.—alias Al. G. Warren, alias George A. Warren, at Los Angeles, Cal.
 WAYMIRE, A. P.—alias J. A. Waymire, alias Jack A. Waymire, August 9, at Portland, Ore., held at the city prison.
 WILSON, WALLIS D.—at Omaha, Neb., held at the county jail.
 YOUNES, S. J.—October 4, at Rochester, N. Y., held at the county jail.

Burglars

BLACK, CHARLES—September 13, at Chicago, held at the city Jail.
 DEMAREST, JOE—September 13, at Chicago, held at the city jail.
 DOWSIE, JOE—September 13, at Chicago, held at the city jail.
 FORD, GEORGE—September 13, at Chicago, held at the city jail.
 FORD, LYMAN—(Re-arrested for holdup after being paroled) September 19, at Kansas City, Mo.
 FRADEN, DAVE—September 13, at Chicago, held at the city jail.
 LINDEN, JOHN—alias "Devil's Lake Red," August 29, at Minot, N. D., held at the county jail.
 RECKFORD, SAM—August 29, at Minot, N. D., held at the county jail.
 RYAN, JOHN—September 13, at Chicago, held at the city jail.
 WILSON, GEORGE—September 13, at Chicago, held at the city jail.

Hold-Ups

ALBURY, TED—at Tampa, Fla., held in the city jail.
 ALLEN, ROY—alias Charles Dodson, October 3, at Venita, Okla., held at the county jail.
 BARTH, LESTER—at St. Louis, held at the county jail.
 BOCK, CECIL—Arrested and released, re-arrested and returned to Springfield, Ill., held at the county jail.
 BRINLEY, CYRAL—October 4, at East St. Louis, Ill., held at the county jail.
 BROWN, EBEN—September 8, at Pawhuska, Okla., held at the county jail.
 CARDWELL, "BLACKIE"—October 1, at Shidler, Okla., held at the county jail.
 COLLINS, CHALK—at Chetopa, Kan., held at the county jail.

CORNETT, CLIFFORD—October 1, at Pawhuska, Okla., held at the county jail.
 CORNETT, HENRY—October 1, at Pawhuska, Okla., held at the county jail.
 CULLEN, JAMES—arrested and released; re-arrested and returned to Springfield, Ill., held at the county jail.
 DENTON, TOM—alias "Big Tom," at Nashville, Ill.
 DOWNS, ELMER—August 8, at Leavenworth, Kan.
 DUNCAN, JOE (Negro)—September 30, at Dunsmuir, Cal., held at the county jail.
 FLOOD, FLOYD—at Belleville, Ill., held at the county jail.
 HENSLEY, ERNEST—October 1, at Burbank, Okla., held at the county jail.
 HOGUE, R. D.—at Tampa, Fla., held at the city jail.
 HOLLAND, BUSTER—October 1, at Shidler, Okla., held at the county jail.
 JENKINS, EDDIE—August 24, at Eldorado, Kan., held at the county jail.
 JENNERICH, FRED—September 12, at Kansas City, Mo., held at the city jail.
 LANGER, CHET—August 13, at Boise, Idaho, held at the county jail.
 LUNSFORD, JAMES—at East St. Louis, Ill., held at Edwardsville, Ill., county jail.
 McDOWELL, C. C.—August 7, at Miami, Okla., held at the county jail.
 McFERRON, BENNY—September 1, at Sikeston, Mo., held at the county jail.
 MANNING, JOHN—September 12, at Kansas City, Mo., held at the city jail.
 MARSH, EDWARD—July 28, at Sacramento, Cal., held at the county jail.
 MONGER, HUBERT—July 29, at Kansas City, Mo., held at the city prison.
 PAMELIE, TONY—July 28, at Chicago, held at the city prison.
 PARISI, JOSEPH—Detroit, held at the city prison.
 ROACH, JOHN W.—East St. Louis, Ill., held at Edwardsville, Ill., county jail.
 RONSEIK, HENRY—at St. Louis, Mo., held at the county jail.
 SMITH, ROSCOE—September 13, at Pawhuska, Okla., held at the county jail.
 SMITH, ROY—Re-arrested at Salt Lake City, Utah.
 SMITH, RUSSEL—Re-arrested at Salt Lake City, Utah.
 STAMPER, DALE—at East St. Louis, Ill., held at Edwardsville, Ill., county jail.
 THROCKMORTON, CLAIRE—at East St. Louis, Ill.

THROCKMORTON, WILLIAM — East St. Louis, Ill.
 WELSH, CARL—August 18, at Chicago, Ill., held at the county jail.
 WHITE, GEORGE—Tampa, Fla., held at the city jail.

Removed

Forgers, etc.

ANDERSON, HARRY—18 months, State Penitentiary, Baltimore, Md.
 ANTRIM, EARL—Released, restitution effected.
 BILLINGS, A. F.—Indeterminate term, State Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga.
 BRONSON, CLIFTON — Indeterminate term, State Penitentiary, San Quentin, Cal.
 BRONSON, MRS. CLIFTON—Released.
 BUCKLES, KLINE T.—2 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.
 CHANDLER, GEORGE—1 to 14 years, California State Prison, San Quentin, Cal.
 COMSTOCK, C. G.—Released.
 CREEKBAUM, DANNY—Acquitted.
 DEWART, FRED—90 days, Erie County Penitentiary, Erie, Pa.
 ETZWILER, J. E.—6 months, Oregon State Penitentiary, Salem, Ore.
 FOWLER, WALTER M.—18 months, Federal Penitentiary, Atlanta, Ga.
 LEM, EARL R.—1 year 1 day, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.
 MASON, PAUL M.—2 years, Delaware County Jail, Media, Pa.
 MCGRAW, BURROUGHS—1 to 14 years, State Penitentiary, Folsom, Cal.
 MUNDRO, CECILIA—Discharged.
 PETERSON, THEODORA—1 year probation.
 RAINES, ISAAC L.—1 to 14 years, California State Prison, San Quentin, Cal.
 SAAKE, LEONA—Probation.
 STEELE, E. A.—Escaped.
 TARKER, MRS. M.—Case dismissed.
 THOMPSON, MRS. A. G.—Released.
 WAINWRIGHT, RICHARD J.—10 years, Federal Penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kan.
 ZAZINSKY, TONY—Discharged.

Burglars and Hold-Up Robbers

POVILAITIS, JOHN — Indeterminate term, Eastern Penitentiary, Philadelphia, Pa.
 SMITH, RAY—Released.
 SMITH, RUSSELL—Released.

Statistics of the Protective Department

	Awaiting trial August 31, 1923	Arrested Since August 31, 1924	Arrests Reported October, 1924	Total	Convicted	Discharged or acquitted	Fugitive, escape, insane or died	Awaiting trial
Forgers, etc....	207	51	41	92	41	30	5	223
Burglars.....	62	4	10	14	4	2	3	67
Holdup robbers..	83	36	39	75	9	5	2	142
Sneak thieves..	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Total.....	352	91	90	181	54	37	10	432

Strangers Are Not Always Crooks, but Crooks Are Usually Strangers. Stop Cashing Checks for Them Without Positive Proof of Identity. Your Protection Will Be Increased by Action on the Many Warnings in This Bulletin

PROTECTIVE DEPARTMENT

American Bankers Association Journal

SECTION TWO .

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Banks With Bogus
Certified Checks**

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CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO.—First National Bank Building.
COLORADO, DENVER.—421 Cooper Building.
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, WASHINGTON.—500 Southern Building.
FLORIDA, MIAMI.—220-221 Calumet Building.
GEORGIA, ATLANTA.—921-922 Healey Building.
ILLINOIS, CHICAGO.—1020 Otis Building.
IOWA, DES MOINES.—609 Observatory Building.
LOUISIANA, NEW ORLEANS.—930-932 New Hibernia Bank Building.
MARYLAND, BALTIMORE.—Fidelity Building.
MASSACHUSETTS, BOSTON.—200 Devonshire Street.
MICHIGAN, DETROIT.—Dime Savings Bank Building.
MINNESOTA, MINNEAPOLIS.—McKnight Building.
MISSOURI, KANSAS CITY.—Ridge Arcade Building.
MISSOURI, ST. LOUIS.—Railway Exchange Building.
NEW YORK, BUFFALO.—D. S. Morgan Building.
NEW YORK, NEW YORK.—165 Broadway.
OHIO, CINCINNATI.—1012 Keiths Theatre Building.

OHIO, CLEVELAND.—Swetland Building.
OKLAHOMA, OKLAHOMA CITY.—908 Colcord Building.
OREGON, PORTLAND.—Yeon Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PHILADELPHIA.—Widener Building.
PENNSYLVANIA, PITTSBURGH.—1108 Diamond Bank Building.
TENNESSEE, MEMPHIS.—Bank of Commerce and Trust Building.
TEXAS, DALLAS.—207 Mercantile Bank Building.
TEXAS, HOUSTON.—Union National Bank Building.
TEXAS, SAN ANTONIO.—Gunter Building.
UTAH, SALT LAKE CITY.—301-302 Tribune Building.
VIRGINIA, RICHMOND.—Virginia Railway and Power Building.
WASHINGTON, SEATTLE.—L. C. Smith Building.
WASHINGTON, SPOKANE.—Old National Bank Building.

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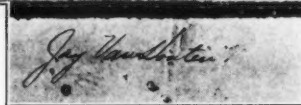
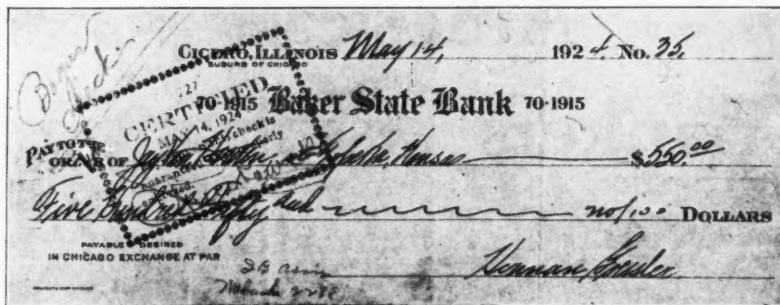
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Watch for a Boy With a Note

A MAN representing himself as R. W. Barth, and as an agent of the National Surety Company, is making large hauls in cities. His success approaches that of Wm. H. Harkins, many times warned against in this JOURNAL and who is again under arrest. Barth, who also uses other aliases, calls upon an official of a concern with a blank form supposedly issued by the National Surety Company, which he asks to have filled out. Sometimes he states the information is required for the purpose of obtaining the financial standing of the company, at other times, the standing of some company with which the concern approached has business. The form requires the signature of an official. Under some pretext Barth also obtains a letterhead and an envelope of the firm making out the statement. Then Barth sends a small boy to the bank with a note written on the letterhead, and ostensibly signed by the man whose signature appears on the form, using that signature as a model. The note reads something like this:

"Cashier:—
Please let me have cash for the enclosed check in ten and twenty dollar bills and put same in a sealed envelope so that the boy will not lose any of them, and oblige,
Yours truly,"



A bogus certified check for a fairly large amount is enclosed. The operator does not appear in the bank at all.

Judging from the different descriptions given there are two men involved in this scheme. One is described as follows: 45 to 50 years of age; 5 feet 6 inches tall; weighs 142 pounds; and is a printer by trade.

The other man is younger, about 30 years old; 5 feet 10 inches tall; weighs 145 pounds; medium build; smooth shaven; has a good appearance, and talks fast.

Banks in Michigan, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, and West Virginia have been defrauded, by this method. One of

the bogus certified checks cashed by a bank on the strength of the forged note and the forged indorsement of a depositor is reproduced herewith.

Some teller to whose attention this warning is called can save his bank a loss and assist in apprehending a dangerous swindler.

Thus far the operator has always employed a small boy to carry the forged check and letter to the bank. It is possible that the real forger himself will not be seen throughout the transaction, as another man obtains the letterheads.

Harkins Captured

W. H. HARKINS is again in custody, following his third escape from police authorities.

Following Harkins' recent escape from the Fort Worth, Texas, jail, our agents took up an extensive hunt for the fugitive, tracing him through California to the Northwest, back through Utah, West Virginia, North Carolina, and finally to Florida, where they caught up with him at Miami and caused his arrest.

Harkins has been the subject of numerous JOURNAL SUPPLEMENT articles and has obtained many thousands of dollars through forged check transactions.

Unusual precaution has been taken since his arrest to see that he does not again escape and that he is vigorously prosecuted by his numerous victims.

He is being returned to Fort Worth, Texas, where he has been sentenced to a two-year term in the State Penitentiary at Huntsville.

All the banks that have lost through Harkins' criminal activities are urgently requested to forward detainer warrants to the Texas State Penitentiary so that this dangerous character may be safely incarcerated away from any banks, as his success has been amazing during the past few years.

A Forger With Big Plans

AARON ARONOWITZ, alias Harold Lloyd, whose picture appears with this warning article, has defrauded or attempted to defraud several banks of large sums. He represented himself in Paterson, N. J., as Julius Shaidnagle, assistant treasurer of Bonesho - Shaidnagle Co. of Milwaukee, Wis., and deposited with a Paterson bank two drafts for large amounts, drawn on the Central State Bank of Milwaukee, both of which were forgeries. Aronowitz claimed he was in Paterson to extend the silk manuf-



Aaron Aronowitz

Julius Shaidnagle

turing business in which the company is engaged.

He also attempted to defraud the National Bank of Whitehall, Whitehall, N. Y., with

a bogus cashier's check of the Marine National Bank of Pittsburgh, which he deposited. In this case he claimed to represent the Pittsburgh Corrugated Paper Co. and was in Whitehall to buy a factory site. He made a similar attempt at a Rome, N. Y., bank.

Aronowitz is described as follows: 21 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 135 pounds, dark chestnut hair, slight build, blue eyes, medium dark complexion.

Use Cereal Company's Name

CHECKS purporting to be issued by the Postum Cereal Company, Inc., drawn on the Central National Bank, Battle Creek, Mich., are being circulated throughout California by an operator who is using numerous aliases. These checks are being returned marked "forgery." They are printed on cheap pink safety paper. The name of the company appears in the upper left corner of the check, but the "Inc." is omitted. Below this is "Advertising Dept." The checks bear two signatures. Some of the names used by this criminal are Bruce Gregg, Thos. R. Spicer, F. L. Haynes, Robert L. Mac-

Laughlin, C. S. Wentworth, J. B. Elliott, C. L. Botsworth, Thos. H. Hudson, J. E. Locks. He has operated only against hotels, but may transfer his actions to banks.

J. M. ACKERMAN. A worthless check drawn on the Commonwealth Trust Co., Harrisburg, Pa., was reported by a New York City member bank as having been cashed by a depositor. Ackerman ordered several rugs from the merchant and offered the check in payment. He represented himself as from Middletown, Pa.

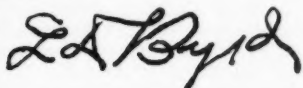
FRANKLIN G. BROWN, alias William C. Cobb, opened an account in a bank in —with a draft drawn on the Guaranty Trust Co., New York City, which was accepted for collection. He returned later and deposited another draft drawn on the National City Bank of New York, but no funds were advanced. These drafts were signed Franklin G. Brown. Later it developed that both drafts were worthless. Brown is described as being 40 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighs 200 pounds, dark complexion, brown hair, wears glasses, three lower teeth badly decayed.

GEORGE BROWN, acquainted at a member bank in Sedalia, Mo., through his connection with a local firm, presented a check drawn on the National City Bank, Chicago, Ill., signed C. J. Harrington, countersigned H. M. Haskell, which was paid. It was later returned as bogus. Brown claimed to be connected with Haskell, Harrington & Brown, bond brokers.

S. V. BROWN, employed as a solicitor for a Philadelphia, Pa., sign company, secured a check payable to his employer and forged the indorsement thereon. He did not obtain the funds on the check, but we understand other forged checks have been cashed. Brown is described as about 40 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, slender build, ruddy complexion, dark brown hair, smooth shaven.

J. W. BROWNSFIELD, using drafts drawn on the Farmers National Bank, Cotton Plant, Ark., is reported as operating in Searcy, Ark., and vicinity. Members are advised that these drafts are absolutely worthless and should not be accepted.

L. D. BYRD defrauded a bank at McKee's Rocks, Pa., with a worthless check through the assistance of a customer who identified him. The check was drawn on the Security Bank and Trust Company of Charleston, W. Va., and made payable to and indorsed by L. D. Byrd. This man has left a trail of other worthless checks behind him. A specimen of his writing is reproduced below.



EDWARD CONDON, Harry Jackle, William Fritz, John C. Schneider and Frank Nale. These names are being signed



Even the women employees of the Cleveland Trust Company are being sent to its gunnery school to be prepared for the stickup men.

to checks drawn on the Hamilton Trust Co., New York City, a branch of the Chase National Bank, but they do not carry any such accounts.

J. G. CUNNINGHAM defrauded a member bank at Olathe, Kan., by cashing a worthless sight draft. He was formerly a representative of the Chapman Calendar Company and was able to cash the draft as he was known to the victim.

W. S. CUNNINGHAM, known at a member bank in Wellsburg, W. Va., through the cashing of legitimate checks, took advantage of the situation and presented a worthless check drawn on the First National Bank, Mingo, Junction, Ohio, which was cashed without hesitation. Cunningham is now being sought by our member. He is believed to be in New Mexico at present.

MISS M. B. EVERETT carried a savings account with a member bank in Kansas City, Mo., for about ten years and for about the same time was employed by a local grain company as cashier, with authority to sign their checks. This authority was revoked, and although this was known to her,

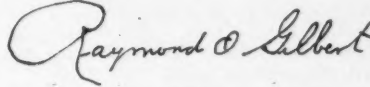
she proceeded to negotiate them about town with the result that a member bank and several merchants suffered a loss. Miss Everett disappeared. She is described as 45 years of age, 5 feet 2 to 3 inches tall, weighs 140 to 150 pounds, chunky build, dark complexion, dark eyes, coarse features and coarse voice.

C. F. FLETCHER defrauded a hotel in Lawrence, Kan., with a bogus check purporting to be drawn again the account of the Great Northern Flour Mills, Minneapolis, Minn., in the Northwestern National Bank. He is described as follows: 40 to 45 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 190 to 195 pounds, hair turning gray around edges, smooth shaven. He has also defrauded hotels in Ottawa and Topeka, Kan., in the same manner.

JOHN R. FLINN, after satisfying a member bank in Littleton, Colo., as to his identity, presented a check for a small amount drawn on the Rocky Ford National Bank, Rocky Ford, Colo. This check was later returned as bogus. Flinn is described as 65 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighs 200 pounds, hazel eyes, big boned, heavy features and Scotch-English descent.

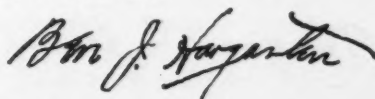
R. D. GENTRY cashed a worthless check with a merchant of Drakesboro, Ky., drawn on a bank at Peach Orchard, Ark. He was reported as being a gambler and was described as an unusually large man, who always wore rough clothing.

RAYMOND O. GILBERT, at one time a salesman for Brown & Bigelow Remembrance Advertising Company of St. Paul, issued several worthless checks drawn on the Talbot Bank of Easton, Md., which place he gave as his residence. He has disappeared with his samples, and no doubt will use them to aid him in his future transactions. He is described as about 30 years of age, rather stout, fair complexion, 5 feet 6 inches tall. A specimen of his writing is reproduced.



RAYMOND GREEN caused a loss to a member bank in Scottsville, Va., when he cashed several forged checks. He is believed to be in the vicinity of Yuma, Ariz., at present.

BEN J. HARGARTEN defrauded a member bank at Hammond, Ind., with a check drawn on the Kilbourn State Bank, Kilbourn, Wis., which was returned as worthless. Hargarten was a shipyard worker having been employed at the Kilbourn Shipyards. A specimen of his writing is reproduced.



JULIAN C. HINTON, M.D., alias Julius D. Haggerty, M.D., attempted to defraud a Jamaica, Long Island, bank by depositing a large check drawn on a Winter Park, Fla., bank, which check was worthless. He was successful in passing several checks on Jamaica merchants. Hinton is described as 25 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, dark complexion, black hair; his handwriting is here shown.

Julian C. Hinton M.D.

JACK HORNER, described as 25 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 180 pounds, stout build, reddish brown hair, blue eyes, is being sought by our detective agents' Atlanta representative on charges made by an Atlanta member bank. Horner presented several checks bearing what appeared to be the genuine signature of their depositor to the bank's teller and secured the cash. They were later returned as forged. Members in this vicinity are advised to be on the alert for this operator.

HAROLD HOLLOWAY, using such names as John Howard, alias James M. Howell, alias Harry D. Kellogg, alias Harvey Scheldrup, is reported as operating with bogus checks supposedly issued by the Lehon Company Manufacturers, and signed Raymond S. Samson, treasurer. The checks are drawn on the Chase National Bank, New York City. In the upper corner of the check is printed the following: "Mule Hide (Not a Kick in a Million Feet) roofing and shingles." These checks are being received from the vicinity of Clinton, Iowa. A specimen of his writing is reproduced.

Harold Holloway
3228 Farmington

WARREN HOMSHER defrauded a member bank at Chariton, Iowa, with a check purporting to be signed by his father-in-law and indorsed by his wife. Warrants have been issued for both Homsher and his wife. Following is a description of Homsher: 30 years of age, 5 feet 6 inches tall, weighs 145 pounds, dark hair, blue eyes, dark mustache and beard.

MARGARET C. JEWEL is passing worthless checks purporting to be issued by the Union Electric Company, 801 Liberty Avenue (wrong address), Pittsburgh, and by the Pennsylvania Tire & Rubber Company (a non-existing company), drawn on the Western National Bank of Pittsburgh. She is operating in the neighborhood of Franklin, Oil City and Meadville, Pa. The checks are usually payable to Margaret C. Jewel and Margaret C. Enright. These checks are cleverly made up, and members are warned about accepting them. Handwriting appearing thereon is reproduced on this page.

Margaret C. Jewel

THEODORE A. KEITH, alias C. A. Keith, described as 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weight 165 pounds, fair complexion, light hair, smooth shaven, presented a forged check drawn on a Pittsburgh member bank to a bank in Nova Scotia, Canada, and obtained the cash. The check was paid by the Pittsburgh bank when received through the clearings. Keith is known in and around Pittsburgh, having been in similar difficulties. A specimen of Keith's writing is reproduced below.

C. A. Keith

J. FRANK KING purchased a small draft from a member bank in Cincinnati, Ohio, and raised the amount named thereon. This draft he deposited to his credit at a local bank, where he carried an account. Following this he made withdrawals until the account was closed. The check was so neatly raised that the alteration was not discovered until it was checked with the bank's statements. King is described as being 28 to 30 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 160 to 170 pounds, medium build, light complexion, occupation, auto salesman.

A. L. LEE defrauded a member bank of Oklahoma City by presenting a stolen customer's draft, drawn on a Tulsa, Okla., bank, to which he had forged the signature of the vice-president of the bank. Lee is 30 to 35 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall; weighs 160 to 170 pounds, brown hair, dark and heavy beard.

A. L. Lee

R. J. LETCHER defrauded a bank in Fairfield, Iowa, by forging the signatures of officials of the Electric Manufacturing Company to checks that were stolen from their premises. He is described as being about 30 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, very dark hair worn long, Roman nose, has a scar about an inch to an inch and a half long on the right temple. When last seen he was wearing a light cap, blue striped sweater and overalls, and was traveling in a Ford with a special body cut down in back for a bed. The checks were for \$24 each, and each was numbered 28 and signed T. R. Crandall. Letcher has a large supply of radio parts with him and claims to be a radio salesman. Reproduction of writing on checks is shown below.

R. J. Letcher

SAM LEVINE opened a savings account at a member bank in Chicago, Ill., with a check drawn on a local bank, and was permitted to make a withdrawal. The operator returned to cash another check, but the teller requested an O.K. of an official. Levine returned with the official's O.K., but the teller endeavored to verify the signature, whereupon the operator left the bank. Both checks were returned as bogus. Levine is

described as being 30 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, slender build, dark complexion, black hair, smooth shaven.

WM. B. LONG. When a check, one of the printed form used by a depositor, was presented to a member bank in Los Angeles by a party using this alias, it was cashed immediately. It later developed that this check and several others were stolen from the depositor's check book.

SAM LUBIN, alias Sam Subin, having secured a printed check of a depositor of a member bank in San Francisco, Cal., forged the signatures thereon and cashed it. Our member eventually paid the check. Lubin is described as 26 years of age, 5 feet 3 inches tall, weighs 120 pounds, slender build, dark complexion, dark hair, blue eyes, smooth shaven, occupation laborer, nationality Jewish.

ERNEST LONGSTREET has passed several small checks in Plainfield, N. J., and Trenton, N. J., drawn on the Tompkins County National Bank, Ithaca, N. Y., which are worthless.

A man using the name of SAMUEL MALE attempted to defraud a Pittsburgh bank by opening an account with a worthless check and later attempting to draw against it. He claimed to be a salesman for the Slimo Chemical Company of Fair Chance, Pa. The firm is unknown in that city. His handwriting is reproduced below.

Samuel Male

SAMUEL MEYERS defrauded a cloak and suit house in New York City by purchasing several ladies' fur cloaks, paying for them with a certified check drawn on the Bayonne National Bank, Bayonne, N. J., and signed Meyers Brothers, by Samuel Meyers. The check was returned marked no account, and the certification was a forgery. Meyers is described as being 43 years of age, weighs 140 pounds, 5 feet 3 inches tall, dark hair and Jewish features.

WILLIAM MEYER. A party signing this name to his checks recently defrauded several banks in Omaha, Neb., by kiting checks back and forth. He is described as being 5 feet 6 inches tall, stocky build, dark complexion, wore gray suit and cap, appearance of Italian or Armenian.

HERBERT MILLS caused a Detroit member bank to sustain a loss through accepting an order bearing the forged indorsement of an official of the bank. The signature was obtained by soliciting a subscription for the International Association of Railway Switchmen. During the rush hour the officer of the bank approved the order, as it apparently bore his indorsement. Ten

days later the same bank was again victimized in the same manner. This man and confederates are still operating in Detroit and vicinity, using subscription blanks for various leagues and firms.

GUSSIE MOORE, alias Eva Moses. This woman opened an account at a Chicago, Ill., bank, making a small cash deposit and later made a subsequent deposit of a forged check. Before this check had time to clear the operator withdrew an amount greater than the cash deposited. Similar attempts had been made at other banks. She is described as being 28 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches tall, weighs 130 pounds, dark complexion, Jewish features; occupation, milliner. She gives her mother's name as Ella Kent.

J. T. MORRISON of Lake City, Fla., formerly an agent of the Southern Life and Health Insurance Company of Birmingham, Ala., has defrauded several individuals by passing worthless checks drawn on the First National Bank, Lake City, Fla. These checks appear to have been issued by the insurance company, "for expenses, etc.," and are signed by W. H. Whitaker. He has operated in Durham, N. C.; Knoxville, Tenn., and Quincy, Mass.

J. T. Morrison
Box 634

GEORGE E. MacKIM, described as 40 years of age, 5 feet 8 inches tall, weighs 160 pounds, medium build, swarthy complexion, dark hair, smooth shaven, issued a check payable to cash, to which he forged the signature of a depositor of a Seattle, Wash., member bank. The operator is not known to the depositor.

CLAUDE McCONICO. An employee of a depositor of a member bank in St. Louis, Mo., lost a pay check given him. This check, which was for a small amount, was evidently found by an unscrupulous party for it was later received through the clearings by our member with both the amount and payee's name altered. The check was cashed by a local merchant. We are unable to supply a description of McConico.

GEORGE S. NEWMAN, alias Arthur G. Martin. Through the carelessness of a teller in a member bank in Los Angeles, Newman succeeded in securing the money on two bogus checks. These checks were cashed at a local merchant and later paid by our member bank, which neglected to check its records. It later developed they carried no such account.

E. W. NORFLEET, representing himself as a salesman for Norfleet Box & Barrel Company, Suffolk, Va., called at a member bank in Marion, S. C., and pre-

sented a draft drawn on this firm. He stated the rear end of his Franklin automobile needed repairs and he was short of cash. He was identified by a local citizen whose daughter knew Norfleet while in Suffolk. On the strength of this identification the teller paid out the money. The draft was returned marked: "No response to notice."

W. C. NORMAN. A party using this name called at a member bank in Denison, Tex., where he presented a draft drawn on a bank in Montgomery, Ala., who later returned it as a forgery. This criminal has the appearance of a drug addict. He is described as 42 years of age; hair partly gray. Members should not accept drafts unless they are held for collection.

DAVID O'HALRAHAN, alias D. Ford, an interior decorator, paid his rent with a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor of a member bank in New York City. The forgery being crude was immediately detected and no loss was sustained.

HAROLD PAYNE is passing checks drawn on the First State Bank of Canisteo, N. Y., bearing a forged certification apparently signed by H. W. Cloos as cashier. These checks were made payable to "self" and indorsed by Harold Payne, and have been cashed with merchants in Olean and Salamanca, N. Y.

W. S. RANKEN attempted to defraud a bank in Luray, Va., with a check drawn against the account of the Hotel Laurance and signed by John W. Muns and payable to himself. We have been advised that Checks No. 5462 to No. 5500, inclusive, drawn on the Page Valley National Bank, Luray, Va., were stolen from the customer's check book.

J. J. RILEY. The Peoples Trust Company, Pittsburgh Pa., has advised us that Riley opened an account with a small amount of cash and received the customary check book. Shortly afterward he withdrew the cash and has since issued a number of checks, which are being returned as worthless. The operator is described as 80 years of age (looks 60), heavy set and ruddy complexion.

GEORGE H. ROBERTS. An attempt was made to negotiate a bogus cashier's check drawn on the First Trust & Savings Bank of Chicago, Ill., signed S. K. Church, who is not in any way connected with that bank. The check was a counterfeit of the bank's genuine cashier's checks, and was made payable to George H. Roberts, indorsed by him and also by Vincent McBee.

GEORGE ROBERTS approached the teller of a member bank in Des Moines, Iowa, during the rush hour and presented

a check bearing the forged signature of a depositor. The depositor being well known to the teller he immediately paid out the money. We are unable to describe Roberts at present.

W. B. ROBINSON'S checks, drawn on the First National Bank, St. Louis, Mo., where he carries no account, are being returned to merchants who cashed them. The operator is described as being 33 to 35 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 150 pounds, medium build, medium complexion, dark hair, smooth shaven.

A. H. STARR. A series of bogus checks have been presented recently in various points between Butte, Mont., and Winnipeg, Canada, by a party using this name. These checks are drawn on the Everett Trust & Savings Bank, Everett, Wash., and are reputed to be bogus. The greater number of his checks are cashed by hotel men. Members will be guided accordingly.

DAVID M. STONE has secured funds on several bogus travelers' checks in the sum of \$10 supposedly issued by the Grain Exchange Bank of New York (non-existent). The checks are signed G. M. Beverly, Assistant Cashier, and L. W. Fisher, President, with the usual countersignature of David M. Stone, the supposed purchaser. Stone's countersignature is reproduced below.

David M. Stone

LILLIAN THORP, alias Grace Fisher, alias Sally Harrison, defrauded several business men in the neighborhood of Westport, Conn., by using worthless checks drawn on the Broadway Central Bank of New York. She took out leases on properties, giving worthless checks in payment and receiving the difference in cash. She is said to be operating with one CHARLES FLYNN. Both individuals are at liberty on bail under a similar charge at Piermont, N. Y. She is described as being between 35 and 40 years of age, tall, blond, and weighs about 175 pounds.

Helen D. Harrison

HARRY VOGT defrauded a member bank of Fredonia, N. Y., who honored a check bearing the forged signature of their customer, Vogt's employer. Vogt claimed to be from Fort Wayne, Ind. He is about 32 years of age, 5 feet 9 inches tall, 160 pounds, light complexion. His wife is about 30 years of age, bobbed blond hair, blue eyes. They are accompanied by two children. One child is a boy of 4 years of age and other a girl about 2 years of age. Vogt claims to be a barber and a chef. His writing is reproduced below.

Frank A. Waite

A man giving his name as R. R. WRANK victimized several merchants near Ashland, Va., by cashing several small checks drawn on the Hanover National Bank, Ashland, Va. He is described as 5 feet 8 inches tall, close-set eyes and a dark complexion.

A man using the name of BEN YOUTAN, described as 30 years of age, 5 feet 11 inches tall, 150 pounds, light complexion, light blond hair, small mustache, straight nose, pointed features, defrauded a Los Angeles dealer in auto supplies by purchasing some paint and tendering a check in payment, to which he had forged the names of other men in the auto business. He received the paint and some cash and disappeared.

LAWRENCE E. ZIMMERMAN obtained a large sum from a Muncie, Ind., member bank with a bogus check drawn on the First National Bank, La Porte, Ind., signed by B. G. Hingett. He was last heard of from St. Louis, from which point he telegraphed his wife. He is believed to have gone to Kansas City or El Paso, Texas. Banks in these two cities are requested to watch for this operator.

Murderous Bandits Apprehended

ON Saturday, November 1, J. E. Carpenter, at the cost of his own life, frustrated an attack against the Wrentham National Bank, Wrentham, Mass., by three hold-up men.

Upon being confronted by armed bandits, Carpenter seized a gun and exchanged shots with the men and was successful in driving them from the institution. During the battle Carpenter received a wound that several days later caused his death.

Our detective agents, cooperating with the Chief of Police, Ruggles, of Wrentham, and Lieutenant Belleau of Pawtucket, R. I., arrested ALFRED BEDARD. This man later made a partial confession, implicating others.

The Providence Police were supplied with the license number of a car that was being used by the men named in Bedard's confession. With this data in their possession the police located the car and arrested CELESTINO F. MEDEIROS, JAMES MINGO and MANUEL PACHECO for their alleged share in the crime. At this writing all four men are being held.

A man representing himself to be A. D. WALKER of A. D. Walker & Co., 17 Madison Avenue, New York City, has been victimizing business houses in Michigan by cashing forged checks on the Pacific Bank of New York. He is described as follows: About 5 feet 10 inches tall, athletic build, neatly dressed, dark hair and eyes, probably Jewish. He calls on buyers for jewelry and ribbon houses and is familiar with the trade. Walker spends quite some time around an office and finally gets the buyer to cash a check for him. Members are re-

quested to be on their guard against the operations of this man.

Stolen Certificate

Certificate No. 78 of the WALSH HARNESS COMPANY of Milwaukee, Wis., calling for thirty shares of 7 per cent participating preferred stock and issued to L. M. Seymour has been obtained fraudulently. If this certificate is offered for sale, or as collateral, kindly ascertain who is offering same and notify the Milwaukee Police Department.

JOSEPH WELLS, alias John Wells, attempted to defraud an automobile sales agency located at Boyertown, Pa., with a bogus check drawn on the First National Bank of St. Paul, Minn. Wells produced a bank book showing a large deposit, claiming he had secured the money in payment of damages for injuries received in an accident. He is described as being about 45 years of age, weighs 135 pounds, has dark hair, one artificial leg. A specimen of his handwriting is reproduced below.

John Wells

Bogus Railroad Bonds and Coupons

We again find it necessary to warn our members to watch for 4 per cent Gold Bonds and coupons of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad Company of Iowa; date of maturity 2002. These bonds have been defaulted. A number of them have fallen into the hands of swindlers, who are clipping the coupons and in some instances cashing them.

The operators are not confining themselves to one section, nor are they in any manner organized. In some instances the people who are in possession of the bonds are victims of swindlers and are not aware of the fact that they are disposing of worthless securities.

These bonds and coupons are easily identified, as the date of maturity, 2002, very plainly shows on them.

C. O. BERRY, alias Ollie Berry, alias B. B. Stokely, is issuing checks drawn on the Peoples Bank, Gilbertown, Ala., and working in the vicinity of Brooklyn and Hattiesburg, Miss. These checks are usually in amounts from \$2.50 to \$10.

MIKE O'FLARITY. A member bank of Myrtle Point, Ore., sustained a loss through paying out on a check presented by O'Flarity drawn on the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Coquille, Ore., purporting to be signed by Hugh Lawhorn Camp. The check was returned as a forgery. Mike O'Flarity is described as 45 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches tall, weighs 165 pounds, medium build, blue eyes, sandy hair, smooth shaven. He is

driving a Buick car bearing a California license.

JAMES HUBER—described as 26 to 27 years of age, 5 feet 6½ inches tall, weighs 160 to 170 pounds, full face, high cheek bones, dark hair—opened an account with a member bank in the State of Ohio, in the name of Mrs. James Huber, and deposited a small sum in cash. Several days later he indorsed over to the bank a check for a large amount drawn on a distant bank, stating that he desired to make a medium-sized deposit and obtain the balance in cash. The operator was able to convince the official of the institution that he was a reputable individual, with the result that money was advanced against this check before returns were received.

JOHN ROSS, using the aliases of Raymond Price, Roy Harshman, James Keller, etc., is drawing checks on the First National Bank, Ligonier, Pa., ranging in sums from \$55 down to \$10. He has operated in the vicinity of Ligonier, Latrobe and Greensburg, Pa. These checks are usually signed Miles Ritenour, A. L. Hoover or George Hoover.

F. H. DAVIS, alias George M. Jones, is drawing checks on the Federation Bank of New York, purporting to be issued by the Davis & Jones Wire Company. This operator has secured a book of checks on the bank and has had printed at one end the firm name "Davis & Jones Wire Co., Inc." These checks are being returned by the bank, as the firm in question does not carry an account with that institution.

HARRY J. DAVIS, described as 35 years of age, 6 feet tall, weighing about 150 pounds, dark complexion, and representing himself to be a chauffeur, called on a customer of a Montgomery, Ala., member bank and was successful in having the customer indorse a check drawn on the Franklin National Bank of Washington, D. C., in the sum of \$25, payable to "Cash," signed "Harry J. Davis." When presented to the Montgomery member bank the check had been raised to \$225. In writing the check Davis left plenty of space before the figures "25," and later easily placed another figure "2." When filling out the body of the check he did the same thing, which enabled him after having the check indorsed by the bank's customer to add the words "two hundred." Our members are cautioned to watch for this operator.

H. C. HELMS, purporting to be an agent for a concern dealing in dairy cows in the St. Louis, Mo., territory, is issuing bogus checks drawn on the Commerce Union Bank, Nashville, Tenn. Helms is described as 30 years of age, 6 feet tall, slender build, light complexion, blue eyes, light brown hair. He talks with a Southern accent.

HARRY JACOBS, with numerous aliases, is issuing checks drawn on the Chatham and Phenix National Bank, New York, N. Y., purporting to be put out by the Little-Jones

Company, supposed designers and manufacturers of lighting equipment. This check is rather a crude affair and bears what appears to be a certification stamp with the proper official's name signed thereon. The amount involved is usually \$100 to \$150. All checks are protectographed and bear the supposed signature of Thomas A. Little, Treasurer. Our members are requested to watch for these checks, as he is defrauding merchants, and also to warn their depositors.

GEORGE BARLOW MILLS, swindler extraordinary, is under arrest at Indianapolis, Ind. Mills has been preying upon susceptible women, especially those with some wealth. After establishing himself in a community, he, being of a rather prepossessing nature, has been able to marry various women, only to disappear later, leaving them destitute after having spent their small savings. Mills is about 41 years of age, 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighs 185 pounds, smooth shaven, medium complexion. He is an excellent dresser, usually appearing in a blue or brown suit. Among the identifying marks are an Elk pin with diamond in lapel of coat and a thirty-second degree Masonic charm, shell glasses with platinum nose-piece, and a black ribbon with platinum slide containing fifteen diamonds. We would appreciate it if any of our members who might recognize this operator would notify us of any suspicious transactions they might know of in their vicinity.

Stolen Securities

The following securities listed below were stolen when two Iowa banks were recently burglarized:

Registered Bonds

FIRST ISSUE		
No.	Amount	Name
43006	\$100	John Taylor
SECOND ISSUE		
62949	50	Nels Wilberg
THIRD ISSUE		
358604	100	Edward Tietz
175621	50	
FOURTH ISSUE		
721556	50	Fontana Creamery Co.
1511144	100	" " "
1511145	100	" " "
1511146	100	" " "
916914	100	Edward Tietz
916915	100	" " "
916916	100	" " "
916920	100	Chris Widdel
916921	100	" " "
916922	100	" " "
916923	100	" " "
448051	50	" " "
171162	500	Robert Votteler
1025410	100	Frank C. Humphrey
136959	1000	Robert Votteler
906200	100	John Votteler
906201	100	" " "
906202	100	" " "

Treasury Certificates

B1927 Series No. 30748 \$500		
B1927 Series No. 30749 500		
No.	Amount	Name
Q2056979	\$25	Bessie M. Hartman
Q2056978	25	" " "
C5739326	100	" " "
C5739335	100	" " "
C5739334	100	" " "
C5739333	100	" " "
C5739332	100	" " "
C5739331	100	" " "
C5739323	100	Andrew P. Peterson
C5739324	100	" " "
C5739325	100	" " "
Q2056976	25	" " "
Q2056977	25	" " "

Treasury Sav. Certificates

No.	Amount	Name
C5195576	100	S. E. Straley
C5195577	100	" " "
C5195578	100	" " "
C0112096	100	Seldon E. Straley
C0112097	100	" " "
C0112098	100	" " "
O1286581	25	S. E. Straley
O1286582	25	" " "
Q0112831	25	" " "
Q0112832	25	" " "

Information regarding these bonds should be sent to the Iowa Bankers Association or to this department.

Arrested

Forgers

ADLER, S. LOUIS—October 20, 1924, at New York, N. Y., returned to Chicago, Ill.

ANDERSON, PAUL—September 12, 1924, at Blackfoot, Idaho, held at the county jail.

ANTONINI, ED.—October 11, 1924, at San Francisco, Calif., held at the city jail.

BEEBE, W. C.—September 19, 1924, at Los Angeles, Calif., held at the city jail.

BERMAN, HARRY—alias Robert Carr, October 29, 1924, at Philadelphia, Pa., held at the city jail.

BROWN, JOHN—alias Stanley Mitchell, at Newport, Wash., held at the county jail.

BURCH, WM. H.—October 10, 1924, at Atlanta, Ga., held at the city jail.

CANTONE, CORRADINO—alias A. Lavino, alias John Galiano, alias J. Poggio, October 7, 1924, at New York, N. Y., held at the city jail.

CARPENTER, JOE S., JR.—September 17, 1924, at Pilot Point, Texas, held at the county jail.

CARPENTER, JOE S., SR.—September 17, 1924, at Pilot Point, Texas, held at the county jail.

CASWELL, E. R. (T. N.)—alias J. R. Johnsey, October 11, 1924, at Denver, Colo., held at the city jail.

COLLINS, JOSEPH R.—at Houston, Texas, held at the city jail.

CREEKBAUM, DENNIE—at Cincinnati, Ohio, held at the county jail.

DAVENPORT, HARRY P.—October 11, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., held at the city jail.

DAVIS, SAM B.—at Los Angeles, Calif., held at the city jail.

DONNER, MELVIN—October 4, 1924, at San Francisco, Calif., held at the city jail.

EGER, G.—November 4, 1924, at Pittsburgh, Pa., held at the county jail.

EGGEBRATTEN, RUDOLPH—November 2, 1924, at Maynard, Minn., held at the county jail.

EMERY, WM.—October 1, 1924, at New York, held in Tombs Prison.

FENDER, ISIDOR—October 30, 1924, at Cincinnati, Ohio, held at the city jail.

FREIDMAN, BENJAMIN H.—October 14, 1924, at New York, N. Y., held at the city jail.

HARKINS, JACK—September 6, 1924, at Cincinnati, Ohio, held at the city jail.

HASTINGS, F.—alias T. H. Bishop (T. N.), October 14, 1924, at Portland, Ore., held at the city jail.

HENSLEY, W. W.—September 26, 1924, at Drumright, Okla., held at the county jail.

HLUSZACK, FRANK—September 17, 1924, at Northampton, Pa., held at the county jail.

HOWELL, CECIL—September 11, 1924, at Blackfoot, Idaho, held at the county jail.

JOHNSON, CARL A.—alias John Els-lager, alias Billy E. Stewart, September 11, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., held at the city jail.

KEITH, T. A.—October 20, 1924, at Hollidaysburg, Pa., held at the county jail.

KIEL, ROBERT—October 1, 1924, at New York, N. Y., held at the city jail.

LESHNER, HARRY—alias A. Levin, October 7, 1924, at Chicago, held at city jail.

MEYERS, C. E.—October 15, 1924, at Waycross, Ga., held at the county jail.

MILLER, GEORGE—alias Harry Britt, September 20, 1924, at Minneapolis, Minn., held at the city jail.

MONJAK, MIKE—December 8, 1923, at Middletown, Ohio, held at the county jail.

NEUTER, FRANK X.—October 23, 1924, at Chicago, Ill., held at the city jail.

NILLSON, CLIFFORD—September 11, 1924, at Blackfoot, Idaho, held at the county jail.

O'DONNELL, DANIEL A.—September 23, 1924, at Pittsburgh, Pa., held at the city jail.

PERLMAN, LOUIS—August 22, 1924, at New York, N. Y., held at the city jail.

RYAN, MISS M.—September 16, 1924, at Los Angeles, Calif., held at the city jail.

SCHOEN, H. A.—October 15, 1924, at Des Moines, Iowa, held at the city jail.

SHAPIRO, H. A.—August 26, 1924, at New York, N. Y., held in the city jail.

WATKINS, E. T.—October 16, 1924, at Memphis, Tenn., held at the city jail.

WETTON, EDWARD M.—alias Miller T. Beardslee, October 6, 1924, at Detroit, Mich., held at the city jail.

WHITMILL, ARTHUR—September 11, 1924, at Blackfoot, Idaho, held at the county jail.

Burglars

BERG, WILLIAM—September 14, 1924, at Aberdeen, S. D., held at the county jail.

COOK, IRVING—October 21, 1924, at Ellsworth, Minn., held at the county jail.

MAKOZICZ, BEN—September 14, 1924, at Aberdeen, S. D., held at the county jail.

MURPHY, TOM—October 21, 1924, at Ellsworth, Minn., held at the county jail.

NELSON, "CHUCK"—alias Harry West, October 21, 1924, at Ellsworth, Minn., held at the county jail.

RAYMOND, HARRY (true name Pat Carroll)—October 22, 1924, at Council Bluffs, Iowa, held city jail.

RYAN, JAMES—September 14, 1924, at Aberdeen, S. D., held at the county jail.

TERRELL, RAY—alias R. G. Patton, alias Albert McCoy, November 8, 1924, at Sapulpa, Okla., held at the county jail.

Holdups

ANDERSON, ROY V.—October 12, 1924, at Pawhuska, Okla., held at the county jail.

BEDARD, ALFRED—alias Al. Smith, November 6, 1924, at Pawtucket, R. I., held at the county jail.

BOFFENMEYER, ROBERT—at Stevens Point, Wis., held at the county jail.

BOHN, JOHN—alias James Smith, September 27, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., held at the city jail.

DANKE, WALTER EDWARD—at Stevens Point, Wis., held at the county jail.

DEER, ELMER—September 26, 1924, at Coffeyville, Kans., held at the county jail.

DOCKTER, EDGAR—October 11, 1924, at Los Angeles, Calif., held at the city jail.

DRAKE, JOHN—October 11, 1924, at Shidler, Okla., held at the county jail.

HAYES, AMOS—September 13, 1924, at Coffeyville, Kans. held at the county jail.

JONES, OLIVER—August 13, 1924, at Boise, Idaho, held at the city jail.

LEE, TOM "BUCK"—alias F. L. Norman, October 11, 1924, at Shidler, Okla., held at the county jail.

MASON, GEORGE W.—arrested at Jonesboro, Ark., held county jail.

MINGO, JAMES—November 7, 1924, at Providence, R. I., held at the city jail.

MORRIS, DON—shot and killed September 17, 1924.

MADEIROS, CELESTINE—November 7, 1924, at Providence, R. I., held at the city jail.

NELSON, WILLIAM—September 21, 1924, at Los Angeles, Calif., held at the city jail.

PACHECO, MANUEL—September 7, 1924, at Providence, R. I., held at the county jail.

REMINGTON, RAYMOND R.—alias "Buz" Remington, October 17, 1924, at Wray, Colo., held at the county jail.

ROBARDS, EARL—September 17, 1924, at Vera, Okla., held at the county jail.

VERNON, JAMES—October 11, 1924, at Shidler, Okla., held at the county jail.

WALCHER, MATTHIES—arrested at Stevens Point, Wis., held at the county jail.

WEBBER, EVERETT—alias E. W. Long, November 3, 1924, at Kansas City, Mo., held at the city jail.

WHITE, FLOYD—October 11, 1924, at Shidler, Okla., held at the county jail.

WHITE, RALPH—September 13, 1924, at Pawhuska, Okla., held at the county jail.

COOK, RAYMOND—State Reformatory, Cheshire, Conn.

COLEMAN, FRANK E.—60 days, Workhouse, East St. Louis, Ill.

CORDOVA, ISADORE—Released.

DAVIDSON, MRS. BLANCHE M.—Probation, 3 years.

DAWSON, BERT G.—Released.

DAY, HARRISON E.—6 months, Reformatory, Concord, Mass.

DOLAN, JAMES—Released.

DREXLER, LOUIS—Suspended sentence.

DUNN, MRS. EVALINE—Released, restitution effected.

ELZE, LEE—1 year, three months, Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

FOSTER, FRANK—Case dismissed.

GOMEZ, JOSE—5 years, State Penitentiary, Huntsville, Texas.

HOWELL, CECIL—Reform School, St. Anthony, Idaho.

KORN, JOE—1½ years, Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

KORN, MEYER—1½ years, Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

LANGHAM, FRANK—1 year and 3 months, Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

LYNCH, THOMAS E.—Suspended sentence, probation 2 years.

MELENDEZ, JOE—Released.

MILLSON, CLIFFORD—Reform School, St. Anthony, Idaho.

MOORE, R. L.—Case compromised.

MURCH, A. J.—3 years, Ohio State Penitentiary, Columbus, Ohio.

NELSON, HELEN—Case dismissed.

RENGLEHEIM, HARRY—1½ years Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

SHAPIRO, HARRY—3 years and 6 months, Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

SINGERMAN, HORACE—Case dismissed.

SMITH, MONROE (Colored)—60 to 90 days, Workhouse, Memphis, Tenn.

SMITH, P. E. B.—Released.

SMITH, WALTER—50 years, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

SMITH, WILLIAM—Released, restitution effected.

SNYDER, CATHERINE — Prosecution dropped.

STONE, NORMAN P.—1 year, 3 months, Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

STURGIS, SAM—Released.

WAXMAN, JACK—Suspended sentence.

WHITMILL, ARTHUR—Reform School, St. Anthony, Idaho.

WILLIAMS, HARRY—Case settled.

WILSON, WALLIS D.—Released.

WINTERS, WILLIAM — Indeterminate term, Blackwell's Island, N. Y.

Burglars and Holdup Robbers

ALBURY, TED—5 years, Florida State Penitentiary, Tallahassee, Fla.

BERG, WM.—7 years, State Penitentiary, Sioux Falls, Iowa.

BOOTH, ERNEST G.—Escaped.

CICHON, JOSEPH—1 to 10 years, State Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill.

CONNORS, WM.—5 years to life, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

ELLISON, SAM—Released.

FORD, LYMAN—11 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

HAGUE, R. D.—5 years, Florida State Penitentiary, Tallahassee, Fla.

HOLPEN, GEORGE P.—1 year to life, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

LEE, TOM (BUCK)—50 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

MAKOWICZ, BEN—7 years, State Penitentiary, Sioux Falls, Iowa.

MANNING, JACK—25 years, State Penitentiary, Kansas State Penitentiary.

MARSH, EDWARD—Released.

MOORE, FRED—15 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

O'CONNOR, BILL—1 year to life, California State Prison, San Quentin, Calif.

ROSS, AMBROSE—Death penalty, Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, N. Y.

RYAN, JAMES—7 years, State Penitentiary, Sioux Falls, Iowa.

SCHULTZ, ANTHONY—1 to 10 years, State Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill.

THOMPSON, JACK—25 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

WHEELER, BYRON K.—Released.

WHITE, FLOYD—50 years, Oklahoma State Penitentiary, McAlester, Okla.

WHITE, GEO.—10 years, Florida State Penitentiary, Tallahassee, Fla.

Removed

Forgers, Etc.

ALLEN, HENRY—Released, restitution effected.

ANDERSON, PAUL—Reform School, St. Anthony, Idaho.

BUCKLEY, J. J.—Case dismissed.

BURTON, RALPH—4 years, Missouri State Penitentiary, Jefferson City, Mo.

COOK, CHAS.—1 year, State Penitentiary, Louisville, Ky.

Statistics of the Protective Department

	Awaiting Trial Aug. 31, 1924	Arrests Reported Since Aug. 31, 1924	Arrests Reported Nov. 1924	Total	Convicted	Discharged or Acquitted	Fugitive, Escaped, Insane or Died	Awaiting Trial
Forgers, etc.	207	92	43	135	66	47	5	224
Burglars.	62	14	8	22	10	2	3	69
Holdup robbers.	83	75	24	99	21	8	3	150
Total.	352	181	75	256	97	57	11	443

